## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY,

*Plaintiff*,

v.

WILBUR ROSS, in his official capacity as Secretary of the United States Department of Commerce, et al., Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-02526 (CJN)

Defendants.

## <u>ORDER</u>

Upon review of the Parties' Joint Stipulation Requesting Modification of Settlement

Agreement, ECF No. 14, which the Court construes as a Joint Motion, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the Motion is **GRANTED**. It is further

**ORDERED** that the Court's Order Approving and Ratifying the Stipulated Settlement

Agreement, ECF No. 13, is hereby **MODIFIED** as follows:

On or before October 6, 2020, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) shall submit to the Federal Register for publication proposed determinations concerning the designation of critical habitat for twelve listed species of coral found in U.S. waters: *Dendrogyra cylindrus, Orbicella annularis, Orbicella faveolata, Orbicella frankski, Mycetophyllia ferox, Acropora globiceps, Acropora jacquelineae, Acropora retusa, Acropora speciose, Euphyllia paradivisa, Isopora crateriformis,* and *Seriatopora aculeate.* If NMFS determines to propose critical habitat, NMFS shall submit for publication in the Federal Register a proposed critical habitat rule (or rules) on that same date. All other operative terms and conditions of the Stipulated Settlement Agreement remain in effect.

DATE: August 2, 2020

Carl O. Mill

CARL<sup>J</sup>. NICHOLS United States District Judge