

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAKE CHARLES DIVISION**

STATE OF LOUISIANA

CASE NO. 2:23-CV-00692

VERSUS

JUDGE JAMES D. CAIN, JR.

**U S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY ET AL**

MAGISTRATE JUDGE LEBLANC

JUDGMENT

Pursuant to the Memorandum Ruling of this date, and for the reasons stated in the Memorandum Ruling of January 23, 2024¹ and Judgment,²

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Judgment is entered in favor of the State of Louisiana on Counts III, IV, V and VI of the Complaint. Counts I, II, and VII are **DISMISSED** without prejudice in favor of Defendants.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Court **GRANTS** in favor of the State of Louisiana a permanent injunction and hereby permanently enjoins Defendants, the United States Environmental Agency; Michael S. Regan in his official capacity as Administrator of the EPA; the Director of the EPA's Office of External Civil Rights Compliance; the United States Department of Justice; and Merrick Garland in his official capacity as Attorney General of the United States of America from:

¹ Doc. 48.

² Doc. 49.

(A) Enforcing the Title VI disparate-impact requirements contained in 40 C.F.R. § 7.35(b), (c) and 28 C.F.R. § 42.104(b)(2) against any entity in the State of Louisiana, or requiring compliance with those requirements as a condition of past, existing, or future awards of financial assistance to any entity in the State of Louisiana; and

(B) Enforcing against any entity in the State of Louisiana any EPA disparate-impact requirement under Title VI or cumulative-impact-analysis requirement under Title VI that has not been ratified by the President pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-1 and is not contained in the EPA regulations implementing Title VI within 40 C.F.R. Part 7.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers on this 22nd day of August, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James D. Cain, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with large loops and a prominent initial "J".

JAMES D. CAIN, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE