SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

No. 96-C-0716

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STAR ENTERPRISE

LEMMON, J., Concurring in Part

While coke-on-catalyst clearly has substantial value, the State failed to prove any reasonable market value for this by-product by failing to show either an actual market or the possibility of an actual market.¹

¹The statutory definition of "cost price" is the lesser of "actual cost" or "reasonable market value."