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Washington, D.C. 20530

February 16, 2010

Honorable William K. Suter  
Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Wisconsin v. Illinois, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Original

Dear Mr. Suter:

The State of Michigan filed its renewed motion for a preliminary injunction on February 4, 2010. The government's response is now due February 16, 2010. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, an extension to and including February 25, 2010, within which to file a response.

The government has been informed that several amici curiae intend to file briefs in support of Michigan's motion to reopen, on or about February 19. Because the government's response to the motion will address the likelihood that Michigan will succeed on the merits, the additional time is warranted to permit the government to respond to the amici's arguments in support of reopening. In addition, attorneys responsible for preparation of the government's response, including the Solicitor General, are currently preparing to deliver oral arguments during the sitting of the Court that begins on February 22, and also are responsible for reviewing a number of merits briefs and other filings in the next two weeks. The requested extension is necessary to ensure an adequate opportunity for the Solicitor General and the Deputy Solicitor General responsible for the case to review the government's response in light of these other pressing commitments.

Sincerely,

/s/

Elena Kagan  
Solicitor General

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Dear Mr. Suter:

The State of Michigan filed its motion to reopen these cases on December 21, 2010. The government's response is now due February 19, 2010. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, an extension to and including March 22, 2010 (a Monday), within which to file a response.

The government has been informed that several amici curiae intend to file briefs in support of Michigan's motion to reopen, on or about February 19. The additional time is warranted to permit the government to respond to the arguments made by amici.

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Re: *Michigan v. Illinois*, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Original

Dear Mr. Suter:

This letter is sent as a request for an extension of time to file a response to plaintiff's motion to reopen and for a supplemental decree in the above-captioned case. Currently, Illinois' response is due on or before February 19, 2010. However, I have received written notice that at least two amicus briefs supporting plaintiff will be tendered for filing on February 19, 2010. Owing to the anticipated filing of these amicus briefs, I am requesting a thirty (30) day extension of time, until March 22, 2010, to file Illinois' response.

This is Illinois' first request for an extension of time. It is not made for the purpose of delay, but solely to ensure that Illinois has an adequate opportunity to respond to the arguments made in the amicus briefs. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael A. Scodro / JN".

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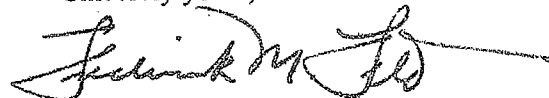
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Dear Mr. Suter:

Pursuant to Rule 30.4, the respondent herewith requests that the time within which to respond to the State of Michigan's (Michigan) Motion to Reopen and For A Supplemental Decree, Petition, And Brief and Appendix in Support of Motion (Motion to Reopen) be extended 30 days, to and including Monday, March 22, 2010. The Motion to Reopen was filed on December 21, 2009, and the brief in opposition is now due, unless extended, on February 19, 2010.

On February 5, 2010, the undersigned was notified pursuant to Rule 37.2 of the intention of the Alliance for the Great Lakes and the National Wildlife Federation, and potentially the Natural Resources Defense Council, to file an amicus brief in support of Michigan *et al.* favoring original jurisdiction in the above-captioned matter, which brief is due on February 19, 2010. Respondent has provided its written consent to the filing of the amicus brief. The extension requested will enable respondent to respond in its brief in opposition to the amicus brief as well as the Motion to Reopen.

Sincerely yours,



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