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 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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 11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 12 Plaintiff,  
 13 v.  
 14 APPROXIMATELY \$10,500.00 IN U.S.  
 CURRENCY,  
 15 Defendant.  
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2:17-CV-02129-JAM-DB

17 UNITED STATES' REQUEST TO  
 18 EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO  
 19 SUBMIT A JOINT STATUS REPORT  
 20 FROM DECEMBER 29, 2017 TO  
 21 FEBRUARY 28, 2018

17 The United States submits the following Request to Extend the Deadline to file a Joint Status  
 18 Report from December 29, 2017 to February 28, 2018.

19 **Introduction**

20 On October 13, 2017, the United States filed a civil forfeiture complaint *in rem* against the  
 21 above-captioned currency ("defendant currency"), based on its involvement in federal drug law  
 22 violations. All known potential claimants to the defendant currency were served in a manner consistent  
 23 with *Dusenbery v. United States*, 534 U.S. 161, 168 (2002) and the applicable statutory authority.  
 24 Additionally, public notice on the official internet government forfeiture site, [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov), began  
 25 on October 18, 2017, and ran for thirty consecutive days, as required by Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of  
 26 Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions. A Declaration of  
 27 Publication was filed on November 17, 2017.

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1 **Good Cause**

2 The United States has provided notice to all potential claimants pursuant to law. Specifically,  
3 the United States served a copy of the complaint documents to potential claimant Stacey Cheatham via  
4 certified and first class mail as well as personal service, but he has not filed a claim. At this point, the  
5 time to file a claim and enter the case has expired.

6 Accordingly, the United States requested a Clerk's Default against Stacey Cheatham and the  
7 Court entered a Clerk's Certificate of Entry of Default on December 21, 2017. The United States will  
8 file a motion for default judgment and final judgment of forfeiture with the Court and such filings,  
9 if/when granted, would terminate the case. No party has entered this case claiming an interest in the  
10 defendant currency.

11 For these reasons, the United States seeks to continue the deadline to file a Joint Status Report to  
12 February 28, 2018 (or to another date the Court deems appropriate).

13 Thus, there is good cause to extend the deadline to file a joint status report in this case from  
14 December 29, 2017 to February 28, 2018, or to a date the Court deems appropriate.

15 Dated: 12/21/2017

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19 **ORDER**

20 Pursuant to the United States' request and good cause appearing, the Court makes the following  
21 order:

22 The deadline to file a Joint Status Report currently due on December 29, 2017 is extended to  
23 February 28, 2018.

24 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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26 Dated: 12/21/2017

/s/ John A. Mendez  
JOHN A. MENDEZ  
United States District Court Judge