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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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8 DARIO DRAKES,

No. C 08-2686 SI (pr)

9 Petitioner,

**ORDER EXTENDING DEADLINES**

10 v.

11 JERRY BROWN, Attorney General  
of the State of California;  
12 CHUCK DeROSA, warden of  
La Palma Correctional Center,  
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14 Respondents.  
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16 Respondent has filed an ex parte request for an extension of time to respond to the  
17 petition for writ of habeas corpus. Having considered the request and the accompanying  
18 declaration of attorney Bridget Billeter, the court GRANTS respondent's request. (Docket #s  
19 9, 10, 11.) Respondent's answer filed February 24, 2009 is deemed timely. Petitioner must file  
20 and serve his traverse no later than **April 10, 2009**.

21 In light of the existence of eight claims in the petition, the court will permit the  
22 lengthy 36-page memorandum of points and authorities in support of answer filed by  
23 respondent. (Respondent's counsel is cautioned for future reference that legal memoranda  
24 filed in support of answers to habeas petitions should comply with the 25-page limit  
25 mentioned in Local Rule 7, unless permission to exceed that page limit is obtained.)

26 IT IS SO ORDERED.

27 DATED: March 2, 2009

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SUSAN ILLSTON  
United States District Judge