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WHEREAS, in the above-captioned case:

- A joint Stipulation of Dismissal and Order was entered by the Court on October 6, 2011 (Doc. 49).
- 2. In the Stipulation of Dismissal and Order, the Plaintiffs and Defendants agreed that, notwithstanding dismissal of this action, the Court retains jurisdiction to consider a further stipulation or motion concerning an award of attorneys' fees and costs. Doc. 49 at 2.
- 3. In the Stipulation of Dismissal and Order, the Plaintiffs and Defendants also stated that they would attempt to reach agreement as to recovery of attorneys' fees and costs and, absent such agreement, that Plaintiffs would file an application with the Court for the recovery of fees and costs within 60 days of the approval of the Order by the Court. Doc. 49 at 2.
- On December 5, 2011, the Court granted a stipulated request by the Parties and extended the deadline for Plaintiffs to file an application for recovery of fees and costs until February 3, 2012. Doc. 51.
- 5. Plaintiffs and Defendants have exchanged proposals for settlement of attorneys' fees and costs, and at the staff level have reached an agreement in principle as to an amount for such settlement, pending approval by relevant officials at the Department of Justice and Department of the Interior. The Parties seek additional time to attempt to finalize this agreement without unnecessarily burdening the Court with briefing and argument on this matter.
- 6. Accordingly, pursuant to Civil Local Rules 6-2 and 7-12, Plaintiffs and Defendants hereby stipulate and request that the Court extend for 30 days (until March 5, 2012) the time for any motion concerning an award of attorneys' fees and costs.

DATED: January 26, 2012 Respectfully submitted,

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[PROPOSED] ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED AS DISTRIC

DATED: Jan. 26, 2012



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that on this 26th day of January, 2012, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served on the counsel of record by means of the Court's electronic filing system: Deborah S. Reames dreames@earthjustice.org George M. Torgun gtorgun@earthjustice.org Brendan R. Cummings bcummings@biologicaldiversity.org /s/ Daniel Pollak DANIEL POLLAK