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14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 15 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

16 SHERYL SMITH,)	CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:11-CV-01295-SBA
17 Plaintiff,)	
18 v.)	
19 MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,)	STIPULATION AND ORDER
20 Commissioner of Social Security,)	FOR A FIRST EXTENSION FOR
21 Defendant.)	DEFENDANT TO ANSWER
)	PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT
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22 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by and between the parties, through their respective
 23 counsel of record, that Defendant shall have a first extension of time of 30 days to file his Answer
 24 to Plaintiff's Complaint. The undersigned counsel are attempting to determine whether this case
 25 can be settled, and counsel for Defendant requires additional time to communicate with his client
 26 regarding possible settlement. Thus, counsel for Defendant requires an additional 30 days to
 27 consider fully and properly any possible settlement or in the alternative to brief the case. The
 28 current due date for Defendant's Answer is December 12, 2011; the new due date will be January
 11, 2012. Counsel for Defendant sincerely apologizes to the Court and to Plaintiff for any
 inconvenience caused by this extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 12, 2011

/s/ Dolly M. Trompeter
(as authorized via e-mail)
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ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED:

DATED: ___12/14/11

Saundra B. Armstrong
SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG
UNITED STATE DISTRICT JUDGE