

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES,
LLC, et al.**

Plaintiffs,

v.

KENNETH LEE "KEN" SALAZAR, et al,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION No. 10-1663(F)(2)

SECTION F

JUDGE FELDMAN

**MAGISTRATE 2
MAGISTRATE WILKINSON**

**DEFENDANTS' CONSENT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO ANSWER PLAINTIFFS' AND PLAINTIFF-INTERVENORS COMPLAINTS**

Defendants, Kenneth Lee Salazar, United States Department of the Interior, Michael Bromwich, and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement, ("Defendants"), hereby file this Motion for Extension of Time to Answer Plaintiffs' and Plaintiff-Intervenor's Complaints.

Defendants respectfully request that Defendants' deadline to answer Plaintiffs' and Plaintiff-Intervenor's complaints be extended 21 and 23 days respectively so that Defendants' Answer to both Complaints will be due October 6, 2010. As a result of these proceedings, the related proceedings in EnSCO v. Salazar, Case No. 10-1941, and the related proceedings in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, the parties' positions on Plaintiffs' and Plaintiff-Intervenor's allegations have largely been addressed through briefing and argument, and Defendants' answer is unlikely to assist the Court, Plaintiffs, or Plaintiff-Intervenors with the resolution of the currently pending matters before the Court. Defendants have not previously sought extensions of time to answer. The requested extension will not prejudice the parties nor delay the other proceedings in this case. Defendants have consulted with counsel for Plaintiffs and Plaintiff-Intervenor, and both have indicated that they do

not oppose an extension of the deadline for Defendants to answer their respective complaints to October 6, 2010.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of September, 2010.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 10, 2010, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served through the Court's CM/ECF System to all parties.

/s/Brian Collins
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