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

HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES, LLC, et al.

Plaintiffs,

and

DIAMOND OFFSHORE COMPANY,

**Plaintiff-Intervenor**,

v.

THE CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, et al.,

**Defendant-Intervenors**,

and

KENNETH LEE "KEN" SALAZAR, et al,

Defendants.

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

**SECTION F** 

**JUDGE FELDMAN** 

MAGISTRATE 2 MAGISTRATE WILKINSON

## DEFENDANTS' EX PARTE MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO STATE OF LOUISIANA'S MOTION TO INTERVENE

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 Respond to State of Louisiana's Motion to Intervene. The State of Louisiana has failed to comply with Local Rule 7.6E, and Defendants' believe that a conference may resolve Louisiana's Motion to Intervene without the need for additional briefing by Defendants.

Accordingly, Defendants respectfully request that the Court extend the existing response deadline to October 19, in order to give the parties additional time to conduct the conference required

by Rule 7.6E, and to explore whether further briefing by Defendants will be necessary. The requested extension will not prejudice the parties nor delay the other proceedings in this case.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of October, 2010.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on October 8, 2010, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served through the Court's CM/ECF System to all parties.

/s/Brian Collins Brian Collins