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By ECF

The Honorable Edgardo Ramos
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

MEMO ENDORSED

Re: *NRDC v. EPA*, No. 16 Civ. 1251 (ER)

Dear Judge Ramos:

This Office represents defendant U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) in this action arising out of plaintiff Natural Resources Defense Council’s (“NRDC”) claim that EPA has failed to take certain perchlorate-related regulatory actions. I write respectfully to respect an 8-day extension of the Court’s deadline [Dkt. No. 94] for the parties to submit a joint status report on next steps in this matter, from August 31, 2023, to **September 8, 2023**. The extension is requested due to the absence of several EPA and U.S. Department of Justice attorneys who have been unavailable for consultation since the Court’s August 25, 2023 order, and the previously scheduled leave of the undersigned attorney until September 6, 2023. This is EPA’s first request for an extension of the status report deadline. Plaintiff NRDC consents to this request.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

The request to extend the date to submit a joint status report, until September 8, 2023, is granted. SO ORDERED.

Edgardo Ramos, U.S.D.J.

Dated: August 29, 2023

New York, New York

Respectfully,

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