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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,

13 Defendant.
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Case No. C15-1605 RSM

ORDER GRANTING FIFTH CONSENT
MOTION REGARDING CASE
SCHEDULE

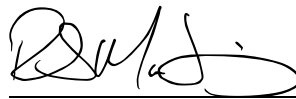
15 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' Fifth stipulated Motion to Amend the
16 Case Schedule. Dkt. #44. This case, originally filed in 2015, has been plagued with delays and
17 stipulated continuances. In March of 2020, after a seventeen-month period where no status
18 report was filed, the Court set a case schedule with a deadline for summary judgment in March
19 of 2021. Four days before that deadline, the parties stipulated to an extension of time. The
20 Court has now granted four such extensions. Each stipulation contained minimal information
21 about the status of this case, and progress has apparently been glacial.
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24 The Court finds good cause to grant the instant unopposed Motion for a sixty-day
25 extension of the summary judgment deadline given the continuing efforts of the IRS to respond
26 to Microsoft's concerns via letter and efforts to engage in negotiations. However, this will be
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1 the last extension absent a more substantial showing of good cause or the scheduling of a
2 telephonic status conference.

3 Having considered the briefing from the parties and the remainder of the record, the
4 Court hereby finds and ORDERS that the parties' Fifth stipulated Motion to Amend the Case
5 Schedule, Dkt. #44, is GRANTED. The remaining deadline for the filing of IRS's motion for
6 summary judgment is extended up to and including March 29, 2022.
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8 DATED this 28th day of January, 2022.
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12 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
13 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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