THE HONORABLE MARSHA J. PECHMAN

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

ELTON MASON, an individual, dba WASHINGTON STATE TRUCKING, a sole proprietorship,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 2:17-cv-00186-MJP

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VS.

WASHINGTON STATE, a state governmental entity, WASHINGTON STATE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, a political subdivision governmental entity,
OFFICE OF MINORITY WOMEN
BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, a subdivision governmental entity, SEATTLE TUNNEL
PARTNERS, a Joint Venture Dragados, USA, and Tutor Perini Corporation,

JOINT STIPULATION AND ORDER EXTENDING DEADLINES

Defendants.

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STIPULATION

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between all counsel that, subject to Court approval, the following deadlines are extended as set forth below:

<u>Defendants' deadline to respond to the Amended Complaint</u>: January 5, 2018

FRCP 26(f) discovery conference: January 19, 2018

Exchange of initial disclosures by and between counsel: January 26, 2018

Filing of combined joint status report: January 26, 2018

The Court recently issued a ruling on Defendants' motions to dismiss Plaintiff's Amended Complaint. In its ruling, the Court granted the motions in part and denied them in part, allowing Plaintiffs' Title VI and state law retaliation claims against the STP Defendants to proceed, while dismissing the remainder of Plaintiffs' claims with prejudice. Counsel for all parties are now diligently working to prepare and exchange initial disclosures and draft a combined joint status report for the Court's review. Lead counsel for both parties, however, have been in trial, and the deadlines are currently set for the upcoming week. Ms. Eakes, lead counsel for the STP Defendants, is currently still in a lengthy, multi-week federal criminal trial in Tacoma that is expected to last into next week; similarly, Ms. Grant, lead counsel for Mr. Mason, recently concluded a trial. In addition, the parties are dealing with general unavailability over the holidays. Subject to Court approval, therefore, the parties have stipulated to a brief extension of the immediately approaching deadlines to allow counsel sufficient time to address and discuss all relevant discovery issues through conference, communication, and the drafting of a joint status report.

There is good cause for the parties' stipulation, as the Court's ruling on the motions to dismiss altered the scope of the litigation, and lead counsel have been engaged in lengthy trials. The parties do not anticipate the need for any further extensions of these deadlines, and they will be prepared to proceed with the case pursuant to the schedule set forth above.

1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>
2	The undersigned hereby certifies that on December 15, 2017, I electronically filed the
3	foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of
4	such filing to all CM/ECF participants.
5	DATED this 15th day of December, 2017.
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