

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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January 22, 2008

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board 1341 G Street, N.W., Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20005

U.S. E.P.A.

Re: San Jacinto River Authority, Appeal No. NPDES 07-19

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Enclosed for filing is the original and five copies of Respondent's Second Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Submit a Response to Petitioner's Contentions.

Sincerely,

Thomas David Gillespie Assistant Regional Counsel

cc: Lauren Kalisek, Esq. (attorney for San Jacinto River Authority)
Pooja S. Parikh, Esq. (attorney for EPA Office of General Counsel)

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BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY 23 PM 3: 30 WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of:))) Appeal No. NPDES 07-19	DNVIR. APPEALS BOARD
San Jacinto River Authority	,)))	
Permit No. TX0054186)))	

RESPONDENT'S SECOND UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT A RESPONSE TO PETITIONER'S CONTENTIONS

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 (Respondent) requests that the Environmental Appeals Board grant an additional twenty (20) day extension of time to the Respondent for submitting a response to the "Petition for Review of NPDES Permit Issued by Region 6 on September 28, 2007," (Petition) filed by San Jacinto River Authority (Petitioner) on October 26, 2007, in the above-captioned matter. The extension would move the date by which EPA Region 6 must respond to the Petition from January 30, 2008, to February 19, 2008.

Respondent seeks this additional time to enable Respondent to fully respond to the Petitioner's fifty-nine (59) page petition and several hundred pages of exhibits of a highly technical nature. It will also provide Respondent sufficient time to coordinate with EPA national headquarters' Office of General Counsel and Office of Water in the development of its response. After much

work on its response, Respondent realized that additional time was needed for the reasons stated above.

Respondent has contacted the attorney for the Petitioner by phone and the attorney for the

Petitioner indicated on the phone and through e-mail that Petitioner does not oppose this request for an extension (The e-mail is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1).

Therefore, Respondent has shown good cause, and there will be no prejudice to the Petitioner. *In the Matter of Gwinnett County Department of Public Utilities*, 1997 WL 737974, *3 (EAB 1997) (motion for extension of time may be granted where the moving party shows good cause and there will be no prejudice to the non-moving party); *In re B & B Wrecking and Excavating, Inc.*, 4 E.A.D. 16 (EAB 1992) (same).

For the reasons set forth above, Respondent requests that the Environmental Appeals Board extend the date by which Respondent must file a response to the "Petition for Review of NPDES Permit Issued by Region 6 on September 28, 2007" by twenty (20) days, making the response due on February 19, 2008.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of January, 2008

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of January, 2008, copies of the foregoing were served upon Lauren Kalisek, attorney for the San Jacinto River Authorty, and to the Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board, by FexEx delivery, properly addressed and with sufficient postage affixed thereto to ensure proper delivery.

Thomas David Gillespie

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Subject Extension of deadline for EAB response

David

As we discussed on the phone today, SJRA has no objection to an extension of the Region's deadline to respond to SJRA's petition to the EAB until February 19th.

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