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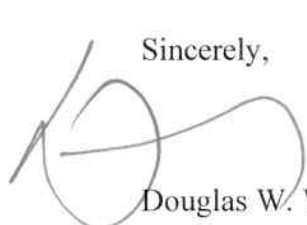
RE: Docket No: SDWA-082007-0082

Dear Ms. Artemis:

Please find attached an electronic version of Respondents' Final Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time for Answer and Certificate of Service. Please file these documents in the above referenced Docket.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me or my assistant, Ms. Eileen Roberts, at 202-682-0240. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,


Douglas W. Wolf



cc: Jim Eppers, Esq.
Environmental Protection Agency

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 8

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Docket No. SDWA-08-2007-0082

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In the Matter of:)
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Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes)
of the Fort Peck Reservation,)
Respondents.)
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Proceedings under Section 1423(c))
of the Safe Drinking Water Act)
42 U.S.C. 300h-2(c))
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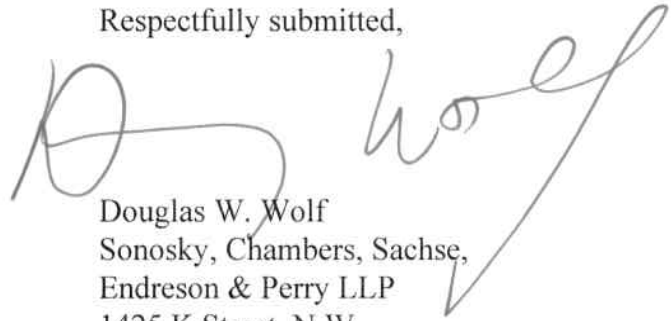
**FINAL UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME FOR ANSWER**

The Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation (Respondents) move as follows:

1. On December 7, 2007, Respondents filed their Third Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time for Answer. The Regional Judicial Officer granted this motion on December 13, 2007.
2. Pursuant to this order and to the procedural rules, 40 C.F.R. § 22.15, the Respondents' answer is now due on Monday, January 28, 2008.
3. Respondents and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have taken significant steps towards arriving at a settlement of all claims. Both parties see a substantial likelihood of success.
4. Respondents and EPA agree that the resources Respondents would have to commit to their counsel to fund the development of an answer would be more productively used to continue the settlement process.
5. On Thursday, January 24, 2008 as part of a status conference with the Regional Judicial Officer, the undersigned counsel conferred with Mr. Jim Eppers of EPA regarding the amount of time the parties require to complete and file a Consent Agreement in this matter. Based on this Respondents request a three month extension of time for filing their answer.
6. Mr. Eppers has reviewed this motion and concurs with it.

THEREFORE, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b), Respondents respectfully request that the requirement that they answer the Complaint be extended until Monday, April 28, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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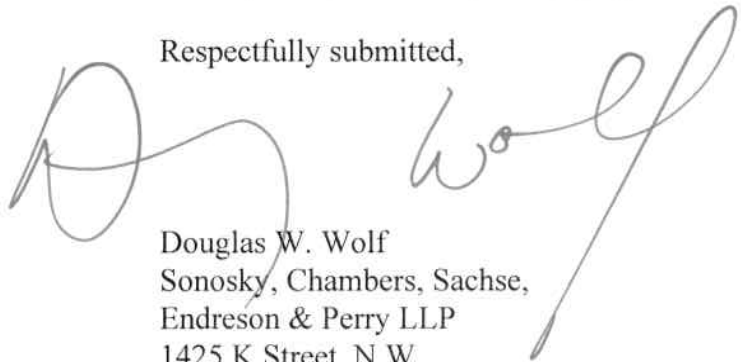
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned counsel for the Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation (Respondents) hereby affirms that on the 25th of January 2008 he served Respondents' Final Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time for Answer as follows: The motion was served electronically upon Mr. Jim Eppers, counsel for EPA and by mail, first class postage prepaid.

Respectfully submitted,



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