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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

In the Matter of:

Docket No. FIFRA-05-2012-0002

Nestle Purina PetCare Company
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Proceeding to Assess a Civil Penalty
Under Section 14(a) of the Federal
Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide
Respondent.

Act, 7 U.S.C. § 136l(a)

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedures 6(b), Respondent Nestle Purina PetCare Company, Inc ("Respondent") hereby moves for an order extending by 45 days the deadline in which to answer or otherwise respond to the complaint in this action. This is Respondent's first request for any extension of time. Claimant United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") consents to this motion.

This motion is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay. Respondent's answer to the complaint is currently due on or before January 22, 2012. Counsel requires additional time to evaluate and advise Nestle Purina PetCare Company on its response to this action. An extension of time to answer will also allow the Respondent to continue settlement negotiations which were ongoing with Region V at the time the proceeding was filed. None of the parties will be prejudiced if the agency issues an Order granting the requested extension. Therefore, Nestle Purina PetCare Company respectfully moves for a 45 day extension of time in which to reply to EPA's complaint.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of January, 2012.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the original and one copy of this Motion were filed on January 13, 2012 with the Regional Hearing Clark (E-19J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, and that true correct copies were sent by Certified Mail with return receipt requested to:

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