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September 24, 2007

Helen Ferrera, Esq., Regional Judicial Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 290 Broadway, 16th Floor New York, New York 10007-1866

Re: In the Matter of the United States General Services Administration, Respondent Docket No. RCRA-02-2007-7103

Dear Ms. Ferrera:

I am an Assistant Regional Counsel assigned to the Office of Regional Counsel, Region 2, General Services Administration (GSA), Respondent in the referenced proceeding. I have been authorized to make the within application on behalf of GSA.

GSA respectfully requests that the time for GSA to answer (and otherwise move or respond to) the Complaint herein be extended for an additional 30 days to October 24, 2007.

EPA and GSA are actively engaged in settlement discussions in order to resolve the underlying alleged violations without a hearing by mutually agreeing to a Consent Agreement and Final Order (CA/FO). We are currently reviewing a revised draft of the proposed CA/FO which I received from Gary Nurkin, EPA counsel, on September 17th. Mr. Nurkin has indicated that EPA does not object to an extension of GSA's time to respond to the Complaint.

Very truly yours

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