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VIA FACSIMILE AND REGULAR MAIL

Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 7
901 North Fifth Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

Re: In the matter of: Gelita USA, Inc.

Seargeant Bluff, Iowa 51054

EPCRA-07-2006-0257

Dear Regional Hearing Clerk:

On behalf of Gelita USA, Inc., I am hereby requesting an extension of time to file an Answer to the above referenced Complaint filed before the Administrator on August 25, 2006. Kelley Hickman, Assistant Regional Counsel, acting on behalf of US EPA in this matter has agreed to an extension of an additional 30 days for Gelita to files its Answer. We are therefore requesting an extension until October 27, 2006.

Please find enclosed our Appearance in this matter for filing (one original) plus two copies. I am also enclosing a self-addressed envelope, I would appreciate if you would return a file stamped copy to me.

Sincerely

Karen L. Prena

Enclosure

cc:

Kelley Hickman, US EPA

Mark Skibinski, Gelita USA, Inc.