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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. ) ORDER ON FINAL  
) MOTION FOR  
Proceedings under Section 1423(c) ) EXTENSION OF TIME  
of the Safe Drinking Water Act )  
42 U.S.C. 300h-2(c) )  
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On Friday, January 25, 2008, Respondents filed a Final Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time For Answer. This Motion was filed after a status conference was held on Thursday, January 24, 2008, with both parties in attendance. Present at the teleconference, were Mr. Jim Eppers, counsel for Complainant, Mr. Nathan Wisner from EPA and Mr. Douglas Wolf, counsel for Respondents. Respondents request in their Motion, after the parties agreed during the status conference, that a three month extension of time is adequate to fully complete and file a Consent Agreement in this matter. If the Consent Agreement is not complete within three months then Respondent will file an Answer. Filing an Answer does not preclude the parties from continuing to negotiate a settlement.

THEREFORE, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b), this court is granting a three month extension of time, until Monday April 28, 2008, to either file a Consent Agreement or an Answer.

Respondent's Final Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time For Answer is **GRANTED**.

Ordered this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008.

  
Elyana R. Sutin  
Regional Judicial Officer, Region 8

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **ORDER ON FINAL MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in the matter of **ASSINIBOINE & SIOUX TRIBES of the FORT PECK RESERVATION; DOCKET NO.: SDWA-08-2007-0082** was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on January 29, 2008.

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to Jim Eppers, Enforcement Attorney, U. S. EPA – Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129. True and correct copies of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt requested on January 29, 2008, to:

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January 29, 2008



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