

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of:

Norlite, LLC,

Docket No. CAA-02-2020-1004

Respondent.

ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On March 12, 2020, I issued a Prehearing Order in this matter, setting forth certain prehearing filing deadlines, including filing deadlines for the parties to file a Consent Agreement and Final Order and prehearing exchanges. On April 27, 2020, Complainant filed a Joint Motion for Extension of Time ("Joint Motion") on behalf of the parties in this matter, seeking to extend the filing deadlines for the Consent Agreement and Final Order and the parties' prehearing exchanges by an additional two weeks.¹ The Joint Motion reports that the parties have agreed in principle to terms of settlement of this matter, but have experienced unanticipated delays in finalizing a settlement agreement due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The rules that govern this proceeding, set forth at 40 C.F.R. Part 22, authorize the Presiding Officer to grant an extension of time for filing of any document for good cause shown upon motion, after consideration of prejudice to the other parties. 40 C.F.R. § 22.7(b). As the joint request to extend the filing deadlines for a Consent Agreement and Final Order and the prehearing exchanges shows good cause and is agreed upon, granting it is appropriate. Accordingly, the Joint Motion is **GRANTED**. The extended filing deadlines are as follows. If the case is settled, a fully-executed Consent Agreement and Final Order shall be filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk no later than **May 15, 2020**, and a courtesy copy shall be filed with the Headquarters Hearing Clerk. In the absence of a settlement, the prehearing exchanges shall be filed pursuant to the following schedule:

May 15, 2020	Complainant's Initial Prehearing Exchange
June 5, 2020	Respondent's Prehearing Exchange
June 19, 2020	Complainant's Rebuttal Prehearing Exchange

¹ Although the Joint Motion is only signed by counsel for Complainant, it purports to request an extension on behalf of both parties to this matter. The parties are reminded to have counsel for both parties sign any joint motions in this matter in the future.

SO ORDERED.

Christine Donelian Coughlin

Administrative Law Judge

Dated: April 28, 2020 Washington, D.C. In the Matter of *Norlite, LLC*, Respondent. Docket No. CAA-02-2020-1004

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Order Granting Joint Motion for Extension of Time**, dated April 28, 2020, and issued by Administrative Law Judge Christine Donelian Coughlin, was sent this day to the following parties in the manner indicated below.

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Dated: April 28, 2020 Washington, D.C