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Re: No. 17-1111, *J.B. Hunt Transport, Inc., v. Gerardo Ortega, et al.*

Dear Mr. Bickell:

I am counsel of record for the plaintiffs Gerardo Ortega, et al., the respondents in this case. The response to the petition is currently due on April 9, 2018. I am writing to request a second 30-day extension of the deadline to file a response, to and including May 9, 2018. The petitioner does not consent to this request.

I will have principal responsibility for preparing the brief in opposition to the petition. I request this extension in light of the unusual number of obligations that have prevented and will continue to prevent me and my colleagues from devoting adequate time to this brief. These include a brief due in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit on March 30; a response to a petition for a writ of certiorari due in this Court on April 2 in *General Motors LLC v. Bavlsik*, 17-1213; a recently scheduled oral argument in the expedited emergency appeal concerning the CFPB leadership dispute, which I will argue, in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit on April 12; a recently scheduled oral argument in the Eighth Circuit, also on April 12, in a matter where I serve as primary counsel; an appellee brief due in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit on April 16; a reply brief due in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit on April 20; an amicus brief due in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit on April 23; and an opening brief due in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit on April 24. A 30-day extension will allow me and my colleagues to balance these other responsibilities with our obligations in this case.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Deepak Gupta

cc: All counsel of record