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Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: National Mining Association v. Zinke, No. 17-1286
American Exploration & Mining Association v. Zinke, No. 17-1290

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petitions for writs of certiorari in the above-captioned cases were filed on March 9, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on July 5, 2018. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time for all respondents to and including July 31, 2018, within which to file a response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of previously assigned matters with proximate due dates.

Counsel for petitioners do not oppose this further extension.

Sincerely,

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