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Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States One First Street NE Washington, DC 20543

Re: North Carolina v. Alcoa Power Generating, Inc., et al., No. 17-683

Dear Mr. Harris:

I represent the Respondents in the above-captioned case, which was docketed on November 8, 2017. I respectfully request a 30-day extension of time, to and including January 7, 2018, in which to file the brief in opposition currently due on December 8, 2017. I have substantial briefing and argument obligations between now and the current due date, including a reply brief in *Stein v. United States*, No. 17-250 (U.S.) (due Nov. 20), a reply brief in *Black Card, LLC v. Visa USA, Inc.*, No. 17-8040 (10th Cir.) (due Dec. 1), an oral argument on December 4th in *Christie v. Nat'l Collegiate Athletic Ass'n*, No. 16-467 (U.S.), and two oral arguments on December 7th in *Aoki v. DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc.*, No. 17-10030 (5th Cir.) and *Christopher v. DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc.*, No. 16-11051 (5th Cir.).

A 30-day extension to and including January 7, 2018 will ensure that we have sufficient time to fully analyze and respond to the arguments raised in the petition for certiorari in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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