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Washington, D.C. 20530

March 29, 2019

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

Re: <u>Maine Community Health Options</u> v. <u>United States</u>

No. 18-1023

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on February 4, 2019, and placed on the docket on February 6, 2019. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on April 8, 2019. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including May 8, 2019, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for final preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the Court.

Counsel for petitioner does not object to this further extension of time.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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