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June 26, 2019

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The Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk of the Court United States Supreme Court One First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20543

Attn: Danny Bickell, Esq.

Re: Norfolk Southern Ry. Co. v. Sumner, No. 18-1367

Dear Mr. Harris:

As counsel of record for respondent in the above-captioned case, I am writing to request a 30-day extension of time to file a brief in opposition in this case to and including August 4, 2019 (because August 4 falls on a Sunday, the brief in opposition would be due for filing on Monday, August 5). The certiorari petition was filed on April 26, 2019, and it was docketed on April 30, 2019. On May 17, 2019, respondent filed a Waiver of his right to respond; on June 5, 2019, the Court issued an order calling for a response. Without the requested extension, the brief in opposition would be due on July 5, 2019.

The 30-day extension to file a brief in opposition to the certiorari petition is necessary because undersigned counsel needs additional time to review the petition and prepare a response given the press of other business for which undersigned counsel has primary responsibility, including: 1) counsel is traveling out of town on business the week before the response is due (June 25-27, 2019); and 2) counsel has a pre-planned family vacation already scheduled from June 28, 2019 through July 7, 2019.

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Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call me at (757) 393-4093.

Sincerely,

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 $Counsel\ of\ Record\ for\ Respondent$

cc: Counsel of Record for Petitioner