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BY EXPRESS COURIER

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

Re: National Pork Producers Council, et al. v. Karen Ross, in Her Official Capacity as Secretary of the California Department of Food & Agriculture, et al., No. 21-468

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to this Court's Rule 30.4, Intervenor-Respondents in the above-captioned matter respectfully request that the Court accept their brief for filing. Due on August 8, 2022, the Brief for Intervenor-Respondents was submitted electronically to this Court at 5:07 p.m. that day. It was contemporaneously sent to all counsel by electronic mail. That same day, at 7:26 p.m., the printer notified us by email that the brief had been "hand filed" with this Court at approximately 6:00 p.m.

The printer has now notified us that, for reasons that remain unclear, physical copies of the brief in fact were not hand filed with the Court on August 8, 2022, as represented. Nor were copies delivered to the Postal Service or a third-party commercial carrier that day for delivery to this Court. See S. Ct. R. 29.2. We understand, however, that the Court received the required number of copies from the printer the morning of August 9, 2022. The Intervenor-Respondents accordingly respectfully request that the Court accept those copies for filing despite their delivery to the Court one day after the deadline. No party has been prejudiced: The brief was timely submitted electronically to this Court and all parties timely received electronic service copies.

We sincerely apologize for these events and for any inconvenience to the Court. The printer—an organization with a long history of serving parties before this Court—offers its sincere apologies as well.

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¹ The Intervenor-Respondents are The Humane Society of the United States, Animal Legal Defense Fund, Animal Equality, The Humane League, Farm Sanctuary, Compassion in World Farming USA, and Animal Outlook.

Sincerely yours,

Jeffrey A. Lamken

Enclosures

cc: All Counsel of Record

Service list attached