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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: Hopman v. Union Pacific Railroad, No. 23-362

Dear Mr. Harris,

I am counsel of record for respondent Union Pacific Railroad in the abovecaptioned case. The petition for a writ of certiorari was docketed on October 4, 2023, and the Court requested a response that is currently due December 6, 2023. Pursuant to this Court's Rule 30.4, I respectfully request a 30-day extension of time, to and including January 5, 2024, within which to file a response.

This extension is requested to allow adequate time to prepare a response to the petition in light of several upcoming briefing deadlines I have in this Court and in multiple federal circuit courts and state appellate courts, as well as to consider and, if necessary, respond to any briefs of *amici curiae* filed in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Thomas H. Dupree Jr.</u> Thomas H. Dupree Jr. Counsel for Respondent

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