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Re: *Noble Energy, Inc. v. ConocoPhillips Co.*, Case No. 17-1438

Dear Mr. Bickell:

I am counsel of record for Respondent ConocoPhillips Company in the above-captioned case, and I am writing pursuant to Rule 30.4 to request a 30-day extension of time to file Respondent's brief in opposition to certiorari.

The petition for certiorari was docketed on April 16, 2018, after Petitioner received a 30-day extension. The deadline for Respondent to oppose the petition is May 18, 2018. If the requested extension of time is granted, Respondent's brief in opposition would be due on June 18, 2018. Mr. George Hicks, counsel for Petitioner Noble Energy, Inc., has consented to this request for extension of time.

Respondent respectfully requests this extension to allow adequate time to consider and, if necessary, respond to the *amicus curiae* brief expected to be filed in this case on or before May 18, 2018. Respondent also respectfully requests the extension due to the press of other matters. Specifically, I am counsel for Talisman Energy USA, Inc., now known as Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC, in *Matrix Petroleum, LLC v. Talisman Energy USA Inc.*, No. 14-08-0158-CVL (218th District Court of LaSalle County, Texas), and will be arguing post-judgment motions in that case on May 18, 2018.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,



Macey Reasoner Stokes

cc: Counsel of Record for Petitioner (via overnight mail and email)