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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

January 17, 2018

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

Re: Public Service Company of New Mexico v. Lorraine Barboan, et al.  
No. 17-756

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 8, 2017, and placed on the docket on November 22, 2017. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on January 22, 2018. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including February 21, 2018, 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,

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