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

Re: Vitol S.A. et al. v. Autoridad de Energía Eléctrica de Puerto Rico, Case No.17-951

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, I write to request an extension of time for Respondent Autoridad de Energía Eléctrica de Puerto Rico to respond to the petition for certiorari filed on January 2, 2018, in the above-captioned matter. On February 12, 2018, the Court called for a response to the petition; that response is currently due on March 14, 2018. Respondent requests an extension of 30 days to file its response, through April 13, 2018.

Respondent submits that the parties are currently engaged in good-faith negotiations to resolve their dispute. The requested extension would allow the parties sufficient time to negotiate a final settlement that, if reached, would make it unnecessary for the Court to consider and resolve the issues raised in the petition for certiorari.

I have consulted with counsel for Petitioners Vitol S.A. and Vitol, Inc., and they have consented to the requested extension. The requested extension would not unduly delay the final resolution of this case. Under the current schedule, the petition would not be considered by the Court until its April 13, 2018 conference, and the case therefore could not be heard, if the petition were granted, until the October 2018 Term, with or without the requested extension. It is Respondent's hope that the requested extension will allow the parties to resolve the matter without any further involvement of the Court.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Eduardo J. Corretjer Reyes

Cc: Gregory George Garre