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The Solicitor General *Washington, D.C. 20530*

October 29, 2026

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

Re: Apogee Coal Company, LLC, et al. v. Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Department of Labor, et al.,
S.Ct No. 26-548

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on October 22, 2026, and placed on the docket on October 26, 2026. The government's response is due on November 25, 2026.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including December 28, 2026, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

D. John Sauer
Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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