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BEFORE THE PRESIDING OFFICER

In the Matter of

Docket No. 40-8027-MLA-6

**SEQUOYAH FUELS CORPORATION,
Gore, Oklahoma
(Materials License Amendment)**

ASLBP No. 03-812-03-MLA

May 19, 2004

**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF THE TIME TO FILE WRITTEN
PRESENTATIONS**

The State of Oklahoma ("Oklahoma"), the Cherokee Nation and Sequoyah Fuels Corporation ("SFC") respectfully request an extension of the times to file written presentations in the above captioned proceeding. The current deadlines for filing written presentations were established by the Presiding Officer in an order dated May 11, 2004. The Parties request that the filing deadlines be extended by three weeks, with the written presentations of Oklahoma and the Cherokee Nation to be due on June 18, 2004. The written presentations of SFC and the NRC would be due on July 16, 2004. The rebuttal written presentations of Oklahoma and the Cherokee Nation would be due on July 30, 2004.

Oklahoma, the Cherokee Nation and SFC are engaged in settlement negotiations in an attempt to resolve areas of dispute with regard to the reclamation of SFC's Gore, Oklahoma site. Oklahoma, the Cherokee Nation and SFC met on May 12 and 13, 2004, to discuss a proposal for settlement. At that meeting, the parties were able to reach agreement in principle on a process for resolving several significant areas of dispute and a revised settlement proposal has been circulated for review by the parties.

The requested extension for the filing of written presentations is justified because it will provide an opportunity for the parties to review the revised settlement proposal and agree to a process for resolving the remaining areas of dispute in a timely manner. It is understood that certain technical analyses must be completed before the parties will be able to reach a final settlement, and some of these analyses will not be completed until the end of July. However, the parties are initially requesting that the deadlines for the filing of written presentations be extended by three weeks in order to ensure that the negotiations proceed as expeditiously as possible.

If, by June 7th, the parties have made sufficient progress toward settlement and are able to reach agreement on the process for resolving the remaining areas of dispute, the parties anticipate requesting a further extension to permit completion

of the technical analyses needed to achieve a complete settlement.

Counsel for the NRC Staff has authorized SFC to state that the NRC Staff does not oppose the extension.

Respectfully submitted,



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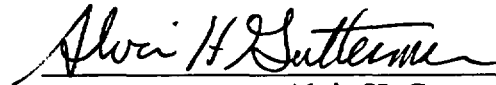
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