

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

GUADALUPE L. GARCIA, JR., <u>et al.</u> ,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 1:00CV02445
)	
MICHAEL JOHANNNS, Secretary of)	Judge: James Robertson
Agriculture,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

**DEFENDANT’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A ONE WEEK
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF**

Defendant hereby moves the Court for a one-week extension of the deadline for the parties to file a supplemental brief in response to the Court’s August 28, 2007 Notice to Counsel. The current deadline is September 11, and defendant seeks an extension of that deadline for both parties to September 18, 2007. The reason for this motion is that plaintiffs in the corresponding case Love v. Veneman, No. 1:00-cv-02502-JR (D.D.C.), intend to seek a one-week extension of the deadline to file responses to the Court’s identical Notice to Counsel in that case. Since defendant is likely to file similar responsive briefs in Love and Garcia, it would be more efficient and fair to move the filing deadline forward for all parties in both cases so that their briefs can be filed on the same date, as is currently contemplated by the Notice to Counsel. This extension of time is reasonable, will not unduly delay this case, and will not prejudice plaintiffs. Plaintiffs’ counsel has informed defendant’s counsel that plaintiffs do not oppose this motion. For these reasons, defendant’s motion should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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