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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN RE: STAY OF CIVIL PROCEEDINGS
INVOLVING THE UNITED STATES IN
LIGHT OF LAPSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

Standing Order No. 24-56 (JEB)

Chief Judge James E. Boasberg

ORDER

WHEREAS funding for various Executive Branch agencies, including the Department of Justice, lapses at the end of the day on December 20, 2024;

WHEREAS employees of the affected agencies, including the Department of Justice, are generally prohibited, with limited exceptions, from working during the pendency of the lapse in appropriations, even on a voluntary basis;

WHEREAS this Court has a significant volume of civil matters involving the United States, its agencies, and its officers and employees in which the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and other Department of Justice litigating components represent those party litigants;

WHEREAS the Court has a need to minimize expenditures of scarce judicial resources on large volumes of case-specific motions to stay or extend pending deadlines; and

WHEREAS the above constitutes good cause under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 for extending deadlines and staying matters in which the United States, its agencies, and its officers and employees are involved,

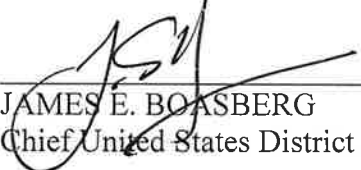
Pursuant to Rule 6(b)(1)(A), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. In all civil actions and civil miscellaneous matters pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, all deadlines imposed upon the United States, any of its federal agencies, or any of its officers or employees shall be extended by the number of days equal to the length (in days) of the lapse of appropriations plus ten days,

provided that if the lapse is seven days or fewer, such extension shall be the number of days equal to the length (in days) of the lapse of appropriations plus five days;

2. Should any party seek relief from this Order in any particular civil action or civil miscellaneous matter, that party shall, in addition to serving the government attorney of record, serve the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia by electronic mail at USADC.ServiceCivil@usdoj.gov with the papers seeking such relief; and
3. The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia shall inform the Chief Judge when appropriations are restored to the Department of Justice.

Dec. 20, 2024
Dated



JAMES E. BOASBERG
Chief United States District Judge