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Hon. Mae A. D'Agostino  
United States District Judge  
U.S. District Court for the  
Northern District of New York  
James T. Foley U.S. Courthouse  
445 Broadway  
Albany, NY 12207

Re: Letter Request to Continue  
*Oneida Indian Nation v. U.S. Dep't of Interior*, No. 17-CV-0913 (MAD/TWD)

Dear Judge D'Agostino:

As explained more fully below, the parties to the above-referenced civil action have agreed to a new date for Federal Defendants' date to file a Reply in support of their Motion to Dismiss, ECF No. 14. Federal Defendants' current deadline to file a Reply is February 9, 2018. The Parties have agreed to extend this deadline by two weeks, to February 23. In order to effectuate this date the parties have agreed to an adjournment of the return date to March 6, 2018.

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(j) and Rule of the Court's individual rules and practices, I am writing to request approval of this new date. The Parties have previously agreed to one prior extension of all dates applicable to the Motion to Dismiss.

The Parties request this new date because Federal Defendants' counsel will be out of the office the week of February 5<sup>th</sup> to travel to California for another matter, and will not have sufficient time to draft the Reply and to coordinate with officials within the Departments of Justice and Interior in order to obtain review of the Reply.

Accordingly, the parties request that the return date for the Federal Defendants' motion to dismiss be adjourned to March 6, 2018, that the new due date for the Federal Defendants' reply be February 23, 2018.

Hon. Mae A. D'Agostino  
December 18, 2017  
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reuben S. Schiffman', with a stylized, cursive script.

Reuben S. Schiffman

Cc: All Counsel