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Gary Shinnars, Executive Secretary
National Labor Relations Board
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RE: Request for Extension of Time to File Answering Brief to Cross-Exceptions in
Mercy Hospital; Cases 18-CA-155443 and 18-CA-163045

Dear Executive Secretary Shinnars:

Pursuant to Section 102.46(f)(2) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, Counsel for General Counsel requests an extension of time to file an answering brief to Respondent's cross-exceptions in the above cases.

Following the issuance of Judge Carter's decision on the merits of the above on May 6, 2016, General Counsel filed timely exceptions to that decision which are now pending before the Board. On July 1, 2016, Respondent filed cross-exceptions to Judge Carter's decision. Pursuant to 102.46(f)(2), the answering brief to cross-exceptions is due on July 15, 2016. The lead trial attorney in this case, Rachael Simon-Miller, has another trial scheduled to begin on July 21, 2016. That trial may well go into the following week. Between now and the close of the trial, Ms. Simon-Miller will be unable to respond to Respondent's cross-exceptions and we therefore request an extension of time to August 12, 2016 to file an answering brief to cross-exceptions.

Counsel for both Respondent and the Charging Party have been contacted and both have indicated that they do not oppose the requested extension. While the rules require only that such requests be in writing, if a more formal motion is required please advise. Otherwise, based on the unavailability of Ms. Simon-Miller, we request that the extension of time requested herein be granted.

Sincerely,

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