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Re: *Florida v. Georgia*, No. 142, Original

Dear Special Master Lancaster:

I write to follow up about the timing of Georgia's Answer to Florida's Complaint. In response to Your Honor's suggestion that Georgia file its Answer prior to the currently scheduled deadline, we have conferred with Georgia and can report that Georgia will submit its Answer by January 8, 2015, which will move the filing up by nearly a month while also allowing time for review by relevant agencies over the holidays.

I have conferred with Florida and am authorized to state, on behalf of both parties, that acceleration of the Answer does not affect the parties' joint view that more time is needed for discovery in this case than is allowed under the current Case Management Plan. Both parties hope the Special Master will accept one of the parties' two suggestions on how to proceed, as set forth in our recent submission. The parties do not believe that simply adding the time saved on the Answer to the current schedule will adequately address the timing concerns we raised in the parties' joint submission and in Monday's teleconference.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if you have additional questions or if you would like to discuss this matter by phone.

Sincerely,



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