

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

**OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS
(Filed: February 15, 2007)**

**IN RE: CLAIMS FOR VACCINE INJURIES *
RESULTING IN AUTISM SPECTRUM *
DISORDER OR A SIMILAR *
NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDER ***

AUTISM MASTER FILE

VARIOUS PETITIONERS, *

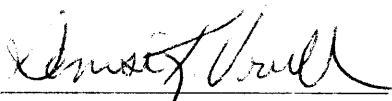
v. *


SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND *
HUMAN SERVICES, *

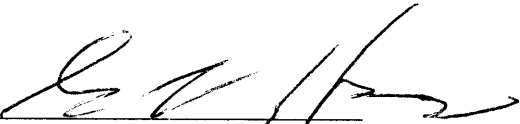
Respondent. *

OMNIBUS ORDER GRANTING TIME EXTENSION

Counsel for the non-party Managed Care Organizations (“MCOs”) telephonically requested, on February 13, 2007, additional time to file their response to Petitioner’s Motion to Compel and for Issuing Third-Party Subpoenas. On February 14, 2007, counsel submitted a written request (copy attached hereto) representing that counsel for both Petitioners and Respondent in the Omnibus Autism Proceeding have agreed to extend the deadline for the MCOs’ filing to February 26, 2007, and to allow Petitioners to respond by March 13, 2007. Accordingly, counsel for the MCOs shall have until February 26, 2007 to file their response, and Petitioners shall have until March 13, 2007, to respond to both the Respondent and the MCOs.


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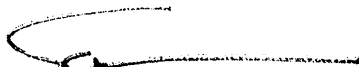
Re: Omnibus Autism Proceedings

Dear Special Master Hastings:

I represent the non-party Managed Care Organizations (“MCOs”) in responding to Petitioners’ Motion to Compel and for Issuing Third-Party Subpoenas. Our response to Petitioners’ motion was to be due February 15, 2007. We have conferred with Petitioners and Respondent in the matter, and all parties have consented to extending this deadline to February 26, 2007. The parties have also agreed to extend the deadline for Petitioners to respond to both the Respondent and the MCOs to March 13, 2007. These agreements are of course contingent upon the Special Master’s approval. With the Court’s permission, we will act accordingly and file our brief on February 26.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Scott Winkelman

cc: Tom Powers, Esq.
Vincent Matanoski, Esq.
Lynn Ricciardella, Esq.