

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
KNOXVILLE DIVISION**

STATE OF TENNESSEE, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:22-cv-00257-TRM-DCP

**JOINT STIPULATION TO AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINT**

Pursuant to Local Rule 12.1(a), counsel to all parties in this case hereby stipulate to a 21-day extension of Defendants' due date to respond to the complaint, which is currently October 21, 2022. This is the first extension that Defendants have sought in connection with their deadline to respond to the complaint; therefore, no order is necessary under Local Rule 12.1(a). Following this extension, and in light of the Veterans Day holiday on November 11, the deadline for Defendants' response will be November 14, 2022. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a)(1)(C). Concurrent with the filing of this stipulation, counsel for Defendants is circulating a copy of this stipulation to all counsel who have appeared in this case.

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