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Re: MUR 5646

Dear Ms. Duncan:

My firm is counsel to Burton Cohen and Cohen for New Hampshire ("the Respondents"). A Designation of Counsel to that effect is on file with your office. I write to seek an extension of time in which to file a brief responsive to the General Counsel's briefs recommending that the Commission find probable cause in the above-referenced MUR.

The Committee received the complaint on September 18, 2007, and it understands that its response would normally be due on October 3, 2007. However, the Respondents require additional time to develop the information that would permit it to respond. The General Counsel's briefs contain allegations that have not been made before by the Commission, and Respondents will be required to investigate the factual allegations regarding the financial transactions. It will also take time to acquire Mr. Cohen's deposition, as the Respondents have only now been given permission to request it.

Accordingly, the Committee respectfully requests a twenty (20) day extension, so that it is permitted to respond on or before October 23, 2007. Please advise me as soon as possible regarding the requested extension.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

  
Very truly yours,

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