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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk of Court, SC Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
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Re: Trident Medical Center, LLC, d/b/a, Trident Medical Center vs. South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and Roper St. Francis Hospital - Berkeley, Inc., d/b/a Roper St. Francis Hospital-Berkeley County  
Appellate Case No.: 2019-000358

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Pursuant to Rules 208 and 240 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, Respondent South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control ("SCDHEC") respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension of time to file its Initial Brief and Designation of Matter.

This is the first requested extension of time by SCDHEC in this appeal. Undersigned counsel has communicated with counsel of record for the other parties to this action and they consent to this extension request. (See attached emails RE: Consent).

The current due date for Respondents Initial Brief and Designation of Matter is October 3, 2019. With the thirty-day extension, SCDHEC's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter would be due on or before November 4, 2019.

By copy of this letter, I am hereby copying all counsel of record with this correspondence. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this request. Should you or your office have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Ashley C. Biggers

Enclosures

cc (via US Mail and e-mail):

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Thank you.

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On Sep 25, 2019, at 5:21 AM, Hollingsworth, Jennifer J. <JHollingsworth@nexsenpruet.com> wrote:

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RSFH consents,

Jennifer

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On Sep 24, 2019, at 10:07 PM, Biggers, Ashley <[biggerac@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:biggerac@dhec.sc.gov)> wrote:

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DHEC consents.

I'd also like to request the same extension of time for DHEC to file its initial Respondent's brief and DOM. Would Trident and Roper consent to a 30-day extension for DHEC?

Thanks,  
Ashley

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