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Hello Don.

Thank you for taking my call today. As I mentioned, we need to serve the BP entity in the UK. The options remain accepting service (which is preferred) or foreign service (which is costly and time consuming). I understand, based on our discussions in January and also this morning, that your team is working on a stipulation regarding the BP entity in the UK that might obviate the need for service. Although we remain willing to explore this option, we do not want SIPCO to suffer prejudice by the passing of time. Accordingly, please confirm that the time spent waiting to receive the stipulation from the BP entity in the UK will not be held against SIPCO, and that if extending the time to serve the BP entity in the UK becomes a necessity, that the defendants and the BP entity in the UK will assent to such relief. Last, please let us know if the BP entity in the UK will accept service, which will obviate the need for any extensions. Thank you.

-PJC

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