UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of:	)	
NAVAJO HOUSING AUTHORITY,	)	
Respondent.	)	14-JM-0121-IH-002

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR WRITTEN DETERMINATION

On December 14, 2015, the Office of Hearings and Appeals issued an Initial Decision and Order in the above captioned case. On January 11, 2016, Respondent, Navajo Housing Authority, filed an appeal of the Initial Decision and Order. On February 1, 2016, the Government filed a brief in opposition to the Respondent's appeal. Under 24 C.F.R. § 26.52(l)(1), the Secretary, or his designee, shall issue a written determination within 30 days after receipt of the brief in opposition. The Secretary, or designee, may extend the time in which a written determination must be issued by an additional 60 days for good cause shown in a written justification issued to the parties.

In their appeal, Respondent has raised eight separate justifications for overturning the Initial Decision and Order. In order to adequately address these complex issues, the government has sought leave to file an appeal brief in excess of 15 pages. In addition, the case involves a voluminous record. Because of the seriousness and the complexity of the issues presented in this case, and the fact that the case involves a voluminous record, I extend the time in which a written determination shall be issued by 60 days and the new deadline for issuing a written determination is now May 2, 2016.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 18th day of February, 2016

Nealin Parker
Secretarial Designee