

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Administrative Proceedings Rulings
Release No. 5434 / January 5, 2018

Administrative Proceeding
File No. 3-17558

In the Matter of
Bluforest, Inc.

**Order Granting in Part
Motion for Extension**

Respondent's representative, Charles Miller, has emailed my office, stating that he does not have time to meet today's deadline to address the Securities and Exchange Commission's order regarding ratification of prior actions in this proceeding. *See Pending Admin. Proc.*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10440, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724, at *3 (Nov. 30, 2017); *Bluforest, Inc.*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 5319, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3961, at *1-2 (ALJ Dec. 7, 2017). Miller indicates that he has been in Ecuador and has been unable to obtain counsel or otherwise respond due to, among other things, the holidays. He requests sixty to ninety days to submit evidence of a new investor that will allow Respondent to become current in its periodic reporting.

Because the Commission's order permits me to modify deadlines for good cause, *see Pending Admin. Proc.*, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724, at *3-4, I construe Miller's emails as a motion by Respondent for an extension of time. I have caused a copy of the email chain to be filed with the Office of the Secretary.

Finding good cause for a *short* extension, I GRANT IN PART the motion and extend the deadlines in the Commission's order by fourteen days. A longer extension is not warranted because Respondent has made similar representations in the past without following through. *See Bluforest, Inc.*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 4720, 2017 SEC LEXIS 991, at *1-2 (ALJ Mar. 30, 2017). The parties may submit by January 19, 2018, any new evidence they consider relevant to my reexamination of the record. Any party that submits evidence must also file a brief explaining the relevance of its new evidence and how it relates to an action I have taken in this proceeding. Any responsive or opposition brief is due February 2, 2018. And I shall issue

an order setting forth my determination regarding ratification by March 2, 2018. Given Respondent's abuse of extensions in the past, this will be the only extension granted absent a compelling showing.

Respondent is cautioned that future filings, including anything that it wishes to submit regarding my reexamination of the record, should be filed and served in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice. *See* 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.150-.153. In addition, the parties are reminded that I would appreciate it if they would email a courtesy copy of their submissions to alj@sec.gov in PDF text-searchable format and, for briefs, in MS Word format if practicable.

Jason S. Patil
Administrative Law Judge