

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
WICHITA FALLS DIVISION

STATE OF TEXAS,
STATE OF KANSAS,
STATE OF LOUISIANA,
STATE OF INDIANA,
STATE OF WISCONSIN, and
STATE OF NEBRASKA

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
ALEX M. AZAR II, in his official capacity
as SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES, UNITED STATES
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, and
CHARLES P. RETTIG, in his official
capacity as COMMISSIONER OF
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Defendants.

Civ. No. 7:15-cv-00151-O

**DEFENDANTS' NOTICE TO THE COURT
OF RESTORATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

On January 14, 2019, this Court granted Defendants' motion to stay the Court's Order (ECF No. 134) directing the parties to file a joint status report by January 9, 2019, in the above-captioned case, and relieved Defendants from "relevant deadlines until operational funding for the Department of Justice is restored." *See* Order, ECF No. 127. As of January 25, 2019, funding was restored through February 15, 2019, for the Department of Justice and the Internal Revenue Service, and the Department resumed its usual civil litigation functions. Pursuant to the Court's order, the deadline for filing a joint status report was extended to "seven days

[following] the Department of Justice regaining operational funding.” Accordingly, Defendants now intend to confer with Plaintiffs and file a joint status report on or before February 1, 2019.

Dated: January 28, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 28, 2019, I filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court via the CM/ECF system, causing it to be electronically served on Plaintiffs’ counsel of record.

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