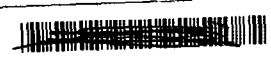


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**REQUEST FOR 60 DAY EXTENSION OF
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Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, a not-for-profit corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Illinois, with its principal place of business in Chicago, Illinois, through its attorneys, hereby requests a 60-day extension of time, to June 9, 2003, for filing an opposition to the above-captioned application pursuant to Trademark Rule 2.102, 37 C.F.R. § 2.102.

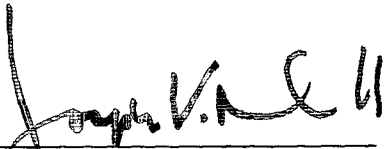
Petitioner is investigating the application, and the additional time is needed to enable petitioner to complete its investigation and determine whether an opposition is necessary.

This request is being submitted in triplicate pursuant to Trademark Rule 2.102(d), 37 C.F.R. § 2.102(d).

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