IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI WESTERN DIVISION

JEFFREY HAVARD

PETITIONER

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:08CV275KS

CHRISTOPHER EPPS, Commissioner, Mississippi Department of Corrections and JIM HOOD, Attorney General, State of Mississippi

RESPONDENTS

ORDER

This matter came before the Court on Respondents' Motion for Extension of Time, by which they seek an additional thirty days to respond to Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Amend Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. The reply is currently due on May 12, 2011, and Respondents' request would make their reply due by June 13, 2011. The basis for the request is the work caused by the recent scheduling of three executions in the month of May, in addition to civil lawsuits challenging the method of execution. Petitioner does not object to the request. Having reviewed the request and the reasons therefore, the Court is of the opinion that the Motion has merit and should be granted.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Respondents' Motion for Extension of Time [51] is hereby **granted**, and Respondents shall have until June 13, 2011, within which to submit their reply memorandum in response to Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Amend Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this the 16th day of May, 2011.

s/Keith Starrett UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE