Case No. 2021-MIS-00005

In the Matter of:

POSTPONEMENT OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS
BEFORE THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES,
DUE TO HURRICANE IDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Hurricane Ida has severely impacted the New Orleans, Louisiana, area and surrounding environs. In consideration of the extraordinary circumstances occasioned by this natural disaster, IT IS ORDERED that:

All proceedings before the Office of Administrative Law Judges ("OALJ"), including formal hearings, oral arguments, mediations, and pre-hearing conferences, scheduled to take place in or within 150 miles of New Orleans, Louisiana— or involving any party, attorney, or law firm located in or within 150 miles of New Orleans, Louisiana— are POSTPONED until further notice. All associated hearing-related deadlines, such as pre-hearing exchanges, discovery deadlines, post-hearing briefs and similar matters, are TOLLED until subsequent order.

Any other attorneys or parties with cases pending before OALJ that may be affected by Hurricane Ida should contact the Covington, Louisiana District Office at OALJ-Covington@dol.gov to request rescheduling hearings or otherwise modifying existing deadlines. If the presiding Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") is not assigned to the Covington, Louisiana District Office, attorneys or parties should contact that ALJ’s office directly.

Notwithstanding this Administrative Order, a presiding ALJ may, upon determining that all parties and their representatives are able to participate in a proceeding or are able to meet hearing-related deadlines, order that such proceeding will take place, or that such deadlines remain in effect.

SO ORDERED.

STEPHEN R. HENLEY
Chief Administrative Law Judge