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Margaret Carter
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Re: Notice of Intent Not to File a Brief or Appear at Oral Argument

Ms. Carter:

Defendants-Appellees THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, ALEJANDRO J. GARCIA-PADILLA, in his official capacity as Governor of Puerto Rico, JUAN C. ZARAGOZA-GOMEZ, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Puerto Rico Department of the Treasury, and LUIS F. CRUZ-BATISTA (collectively, “the Commonwealth appellees”) do not intend to file a brief or participate in oral argument in Case Nos. 16-2437, 16-2438, 16-2439, and 16-2440. The only question at issue in these consolidated appeals is whether the district court should have allowed the Financial Oversight and Management Board (the “Board”) to intervene. The Commonwealth appellees did not oppose the Board’s intervention below, and they continue to support the Board’s efforts to participate in these cases.

Sincerely,



s/Erin E. Murphy
Erin E. Murphy

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 27, 2016, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court for the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit by using the CM/ECF system. I certify that all participants in this case are registered CM/ECF users and that service will be accomplished by the CM/ECF system to the following e-mail addresses:

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