UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Complainant,)	
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)	8 U.S.C. § 1324a Proceeding
V.)	OCAHO Case No. 2024A00001
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GLEN ECHO PHARMACY, INC.,)	
Respondent.)	
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Appearances: Jennifer L. Hastings, Esq., for Complainant James J. Schaller, Esq., for Respondent

ORDER RESCHEDULING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This case arises under arises under the employer sanction provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a.

In its May 1, 2024 Order Setting Prehearing Conference and General Litigation Order, the Court scheduled an initial prehearing conference for June 13, 2024. On May 24, 2024, the parties submitted a Joint Motion for Continuance, in which the parties request a continuance of the scheduled prehearing conference to July 18, 2024. Joint Mot. Continuance 1. The parties cite their ongoing discussions related to the resolution of the case, as well as their ongoing exchange of information. <u>Id</u>.

Under OCAHO's Rules of Practice and Procedure, "[c]ontinuances shall only be granted in cases where the request has a prior judicial commitment or can demonstrate undue hardship, or a showing of other good cause." 28 C.F.R § 68.27(a). This Court has previously found good cause for continuances for prehearing conferences where the parties were working toward settlement. *See, e.g.*, <u>United States v. Grove Hotel, LLC</u>, 18 OCAHO no. 1497 (2023); <u>Heath v. Rang Techs.</u>, 16 OCAHO no. 1420 (2022); <u>Ferrero v. Databricks</u>, 18 OCAHO no. 1505a (2024).¹

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Here, the Court finds a continuance appropriate under the circumstances. Because "OCAHO policy favor[s] settlement of civil cases over litigation," the Court finds good cause exists for the continuance. <u>United States v. Koy Chinese & Sushi Rest.</u>, 16 OCAHO no. 1416e, 9 (2023) (CAHO Order).

The Court therefore GRANTS the parties Joint Motion for Continuance. The Court will hold the initial prehearing conference on **July 18, 2024, at 2 pm ET**. The conference will be held telephonically. The Court staff will contact the parties separately with the call-in information.

SO ORDERED.

Dated and entered on June 4, 2024.

John A Henderson Administrative Law Judge

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