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4 DISCOVERY REFEREE

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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FOR THE COUNTY OF ***

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Plaintiffs,
vs.
Defendants.

Case No.

STIPULATION AND ORDER OF
REFERENCE TO DISCOVERY
REFEREE

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The parties to this action, by and through their attorneys of record, hereby stipulate that KATHERINE L. GALLO, ESQ., 969G Edgewater Blvd., Suite 345, Foster City, California, 94404, (650) 571-1011, may be appointed as Discovery Referee in this matter;

The parties further stipulate that the Discovery Referee shall have the powers set for in Code of Civil Procedure section 639(a)(5), be as set forth herein. Good case appearing therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The referee has the authority to set the date, time and place for all hearings determined by the referee to be necessary, to direct the issuance of subpoenas, to preside over hearings, to take evidence, and to rule on objections, motions, and other requests made during the course of the hearing.

The court has determined that no party has established an economic inability to pay a pro rata share of the referee's fee. Thus the referee's compensation of \$350.00 per hour is to be shared

1 equally by the parties unless otherwise ordered. Each side to submit a _____ retainer to the
2 Discovery Referee no later than _____.

3 The discovery referee is authorized to attend depositions, conduct in camera inspections and
4 to undertake such other hearings as she deems appropriate.

5 The referee is to submit a written report to the parties and to the court within 20 days after
6 the completion of the hearing, with a proposed order and any recommendation for the imposition of
7 sanctions.

8 Objections to the report shall be served and filed no later than 10 days after the report is
9 served and filed and any party who objections to the report shall serve and file notice of a request for
10 a hearing and copies of the objections and any responses shall be served upon the referee.

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12 Dated: _____ By: _____
Attorneys for _____

13 Dated: _____ By: _____
14 Attorneys for _____

15 I HEREBY CONSENT TO THE ABOVE REFERENCE.

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17 Dated: _____
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KATHERINE L. GALLO, Discovery Referee

19 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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HON.
23 Judge of the Superior Court
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