1 of substantially the same questions of law; or (E) for any other reason would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different Judges, any party 2 may file a motion to transfer the case or cases involved to a single Judge. 3 The standard for transfer under LRCiv 42.1 is similar to the standard for consolidation under 4 Rule 42(a), and this Court has broad discretion in determining whether to grant such motions. 5 Pangerl v. Ehrlich, 2007 WL 686703 (D. Ariz. 2007) (citing Investors Research Co., 877) F.2d at 777). 6 7 Based upon the above standards, the Court finds that transfer and consolidation are 8 appropriate. The present action and MC 09-00035-PHX-DGC involve common questions 9 of law and fact. Transferring the two actions is substantially more efficient than litigating 10 the claims in two separate courts. Transfer would have the effect of conserving time and 11 effort, and it would avoid causing the parties to incur unnecessary expenses in trying two 12 separate lawsuits. In addition, it would remove the need for duplication of labor that would 13 otherwise result from having separate judges hear the cases individually. Lastly, transfer 14 avoids the potential of inconsistent outcomes. Accordingly, 15 16 IT IS ORDERED granting Petitioner's Motion to Transfer MC 09-00035-PHX-DGC 17 (Doc. #3).18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall transfer MC 09-19 00035-PHX-DGC to this Court and consolidate it with CV09-0703-PHX-JAT. All future 20 filings shall bear case number CV09-0703-PHX-JAT as the lead case and be submitted in 21 substantially the same format as the caption of this order. All future filings related to these 22 cases shall be filed in CV09-0703-PHX-JAT only. 23 24 DATED this 21st day of April, 2009. 25 26

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James A. Teilborg

United States District Judge