UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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Mr. Okon J. Usoro P.C. 12000 Westheimer Road Suite 300 Houston, TX 77077

Re: Blakley v. Schlumberger, 4:08-cv-04120-WRW.

Dear Mr. Usoro:

I will not pre-judge Defendant's Motion for Protective Order (Doc. No. 29), but it does appear to me that you are over-eggin' the puddin' with your discovery requests. Before I do any appreciable work on the project, please "meet and confer" (you may do it by telephone, but doing it is mandatory) with opposing counsel before noon, Central Standard Time, next Tuesday, January 19, 2010; and immediately advise me of the results of your "meet and confer" efforts by email or fax, by noon of that afternoon.

I expect genuine, bonafide, real, good-faith,* efforts to resolve the discovery dispute. If it is not resolved by noon of next Tuesday, we will have an on-the-record telephone conference at 4:00 p.m., Central Standard Time, Tuesday, January 19, 2010. I expect that the telephone conference will be short, and I would expect my rulings to be likewise.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially,

/s/ Wm. R. Wilson, Jr.

Original to the Clerk of the Court cc: Other Counsel of Record

^{*}please excuse the verbosity and redundancies, but I want to make sure I am understood.