

1 that purpose. In addition, though the Court expects that all merits discovery will be completed by
2 **February 16, 2015**, counsel shall be prepared also to discuss any merits discovery still outstanding¹;

3 3. All counsel are expected to take whatever steps are necessary to move the case forward
4 as expeditiously as possible.

5 **Failure to comply with this order may result in the imposition of sanctions.**

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 Dated: **October 15, 2014**

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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¹ To justify additional discovery after this deadline—such as, as Plaintiffs’ counsel expressed at the hearing, in the event
28 Plaintiffs do not succeed on their MSA—counsel will be expected to demonstrate why the discovery could not have been
completed before that date or that the topic upon which discovery is needed was not reasonably known and could not have
been reasonably anticipated by counsel.