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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

10 KEVIN HELM,) 1:10-cv-01801 LJO GSA
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12 Plaintiff,) **ORDER REGARDING THE PARTIES’**
13 v.) **STIPULATION REGARDING REPLY**
14 MICHAEL S. ASTRUE, Commissioner of) **BRIEF FILED SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**
15 Social Security,)
16 Defendant.)
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18 On September 6, 2011, the parties filed a Stipulation to extend the time within which
19 Plaintiff may file a reply brief, from September 6, 2011, to October 6, 2011. Plaintiff indicates
20 that “[a]n attorney recently left the firm and more cases have been reassigned to Plaintiff’s
21 attorney” as a result. (Doc. 1.)

22 Despite the parties’ stipulation to a thirty day extension of time, such a lengthy extension
23 for a reply brief is not warranted. The time for filing a reply brief is fifteen days following the
24 filing of Defendant’s brief; thus, a proper extension of time would be a second fifteen-day period.
25 Therefore, Plaintiff may have through September 21, 2011, within which to file a reply brief.

26 IT IS SO ORDERED.

27 **Dated: September 7, 2011**

/s/ Gary S. Austin
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE