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5 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
6 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
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8 **SARMAD SYED, individually, and on**
9 **behalf of all others similarly situated;**
10 **ASHLEY BALFOUR, individually, and on**
11 **behalf of all others similarly situated,**

12 **Plaintiffs**

13 **v.**

14 **M-I, L.L.C., a Delaware Limited Liability**
15 **Company, doing business as M-I SWACO;**
16 **and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,**

17 **Defendant**

CASE NO. 1:12-CV-1718 AWI MJS

ORDER RE: ADDITIONAL BRIEFING

18 Syed v. M-I, LLC (Civ. Case No. 12-1718) has been related to Dewan v. M-I, LLC (Civ.
19 Case No. 14-1151). Dewan was recently transferred from the Southern District of Texas. These
20 two cases have the same Defendant and deal with overlapping issues of law, specifically, the
21 applicability of FLSA exemptions to Defendant's mud engineers. There is a pending motion for
22 summary judgment in Dewan. A ruling in favor of Defendant in Dewan could affect Syed. The
23 Plaintiffs in Syed are invited to file a brief in Dewan addressing the summary judgment motion by
24 Tuesday, April 14, 2015. Defendant may file a response by Thursday April 30, 2015. These
25 papers are to be filed in the docket of Dewan, Civ. Case No. 14-1151.

26 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

27 Dated: February 17, 2015

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SENIOR DISTRICT JUDGE