

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

4	MELISSA CARMICHAEL,)	1:12-cv-1722-SKO
5)	
6	Plaintiff,)	
7	v.)	ORDER REGARDING SETTLEMENT
8)	CONFERENCE
9	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE., <i>et</i>)	
10	<i>al</i> ,)	
	Defendants,)	

13 A settlement conference has been set in this matter for **August 6, 2013 at 9:30 am** in
14 Courtroom 8 before Magistrate Judge Barbara A. McAuliffe. Settlement conferences are often
15 unproductive unless the parties have exchanged demands and offers before the conference and made
16 a serious effort to settle the case on their own. The parties are required to negotiate and make a good
17 faith effort to settle the case without the involvement of the Court. Specific proposals and counter
18 proposals shall be made. Accordingly, if the parties have not already made specific proposals,
19 plaintiff shall make a written proposal to defendants not later than 21 days before the settlement
20 conference. Defendant shall respond and make a counter proposal not later than 10 days before the
21 settlement conference. The parties' confidential settlement conference statements shall outline the
22 settlement negotiations to date. The Court may vacate the settlement conference for failure to engage
23 in a serious effort to settle the case.

24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 Dated: December 21, 2012

26 /s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
27 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE