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Examination of the above-entitled civil actions reveals that these actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 83-123(a) (E.D. Cal. 1997). The actions involve many of the same defendants and are based on the same or similar claims, the same property transaction or event, similar questions of fact and the same questions of law, and would therefore entail a substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges. Accordingly, the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is also likely to be convenient for the parties.

The parties should be aware that relating the cases under Local Rule 83-123 merely has the result that both actions are assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the action is effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related cases are generally assigned to the district judge and magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

Pizzeria, Inc., on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated v. SK Foods, L.P., Ingomar Packing Company, Los Gatos

Tomato Products, The Morning Star Company, Morning Star Packing

Company, Intramark USA, Inc. and Randall Lee Rahal is reassigned to Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. and Edmund F. Brennan for all further proceedings, and any dates currently set in this reassigned case only are hereby VACATED. The Clerk of the Court is to issue an Order Requiring Joint Status Report in the reassigned case shall be shown as 2:09-cv-00148-MCE-EFB.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make appropriate adjustment in the assignment of civil cases to compensate for this reassignment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 26, 2009

MORRISON C. ENGLAND, R. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE