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| 8  | IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  |
| 9  | FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA   |
| 10 | WILLIAM THOMAS COATS,  |
| 11 | Petitioner, No. 2:09-cv-1125 KJM KJN P   |
| 12 | VS.  |
| 13 | MIKE MCDONALD, Warden, et al.,   |
| 14 | Respondents. <u>ORDER</u>  |
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| 16 | Petitioner is a state prisoner proceeding without counsel. On April 5, 2011, the                   |
| 17 | undersigned issued findings and recommendations recommending that petitioner's application         |
| 18 | for habeas corpus be denied. On August 1, 2011, petitioner filed a first amended petition for writ |
| 19 | of habeas corpus. Once an answer has been filed, a party may amend a pleading only by leave of     |
| 20 | court or by written consent of the adverse party. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a). An answer was filed   |
| 21 | on October 20, 2009. Petitioner has filed neither a motion to amend nor a stipulation to amend     |
| 22 | the petition signed by all parties. Therefore, petitioner's amended petition will be disregarded.  |
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| 1        | Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's August 1, 2011 first |
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| 2        | amended petition (dkt. no. 26) is disregarded.                           |
| 3        | DATED: August 8, 2011  |
| 4        | KENDALL J. NEWMAN  |
| 5        | UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE   |
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