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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, LLC,  
11 et al,  
12 Plaintiffs,

CIV. S-11-241 JAM EFB

13 v.

STATUS (Pre-trial  
Scheduling) ORDER

14 BAVARIAN AUTO RECYCLING INC,  
et al  
15 Defendants.  
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17 After review of the Joint Status Report, the court  
18 makes the following order:

19 SERVICE OF PROCESS

20 All parties defendant to this lawsuit have been served and  
21 no further service will be permitted except with leave of court,  
22 good cause having been shown.

23 JOINDER OF ADDITIONAL PARTIES/AMENDMENTS

24 No further joinder of parties or amendments to pleadings is  
25 permitted except with leave of court, good cause having been  
26 shown.

1                                    JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2            Jurisdiction and venue are not contested.

3                                    FICTITIOUSLY-NAMED DEFENDANTS

4            This action, including any counterclaims, cross-claims, and  
5 third party complaints is hereby DISMISSED as to all DOE or other  
6 fictitiously-named defendants.

7                                    MOTION HEARINGS SCHEDULES

8            All dispositive motions shall be filed by **February 22, 2012.**  
9 Hearing on such motions shall be on **March 21, 2012** at 9:30 a.m.  
10 in Courtroom #6.

11 **The parties are reminded of the notice requirements as outlined**  
12 **in Local Rule 230(b) .**

13            The time deadline for dispositive motions does not apply to  
14 motions for continuances, temporary restraining orders or other  
15 emergency applications.

16            All purely legal issues are to be resolved by timely  
17 pre-trial motions. The parties are reminded that motions in  
18 limine are procedural devices designed to address the  
19 admissibility of  
20 evidence and are cautioned that the court will look with disfavor  
21 upon substantive motions presented at the final pre-trial  
22 conference or at trial in the guise of motions in limine. The  
23 parties are further cautioned that if any legal issue which  
24 should have been tendered to the court by proper pre-trial motion  
25 requires resolution by the court after the established law and  
26 motion cut-off date, substantial sanctions may be assessed for

1 the failure to file the appropriate pre-trial motion.

2       **Unless prior permission has been granted, memoranda of law**  
3 **in support of and in opposition to motions are limited to twenty-**  
4 **five (25) pages, and reply memoranda are limited to ten (10)**  
5 **pages. The parties are also cautioned against filing multiple**  
6 **briefs to circumvent this rule.**

7                               DISCOVERY

8       All discovery shall be completed by **January 13, 2012**. In  
9 this context, "completed" means that all discovery shall have  
10 been conducted so that all depositions have been taken and any  
11 disputes relative to discovery shall have been resolved by  
12 appropriate order if necessary and, where discovery has been  
13 ordered, the order has been complied with.

14                               DISCLOSURE OF EXPERT WITNESSES

15       The plaintiff shall make expert witness disclosures under  
16 Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) by **November 1, 2011**. The defendant  
17 shall make expert witness disclosures under Fed. R. Civ. P.  
18 26(a)(2) by **November 29, 2011**. Supplemental disclosure and  
19 disclosure of any rebuttal experts under Fed. R. Civ. P.  
20 26(a)(2)(c) shall be made by **December 13, 2011**.

21       Failure of a party to comply with the disclosure schedule as  
22 set forth above in all likelihood will preclude that party from  
23 calling the expert witness at the time of trial absent a showing  
24 that the necessity for the witness could not have been reasonably  
25 anticipated at the time the disclosures were ordered and that the  
26 failure to make timely disclosure did not prejudice any other

1 party. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(c).

2 All experts designated are to be fully prepared at the time  
3 of designation to render an informed opinion, and give their  
4 reasons therefore, so that they will be able to give full and  
5 complete testimony at any deposition taken by the opposing  
6 parties. Experts will not be permitted to testify at the trial  
7 as to any information gathered or evaluated, or opinion formed,  
8 after deposition taken subsequent to designation.

9 JOINT MID-LITIGATION STATEMENTS

10 Not later than fourteen (14) days prior to the close of  
11 discovery, the parties shall file with the court a brief joint  
12 statement summarizing all law and motion practice heard by the  
13 court as of the date of the filing of the statement, whether the  
14 court has disposed of the motion at the time the statement is  
15 filed and served, and the likelihood that any further motions  
16 will be noticed prior to the close of law and motion. The filing  
17 of this statement shall not relieve the parties or counsel of  
18 their obligation to timely notice all appropriate motions as set  
19 forth above.

20 FINAL PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE

21 The final pre-trial conference is set for **May 4, 2012 at**  
22 **11:00 a.m.** In each instance an attorney who will try the case  
23 for a given party shall attend the final pretrial conference on  
24 behalf of that party; provided, however, that if by reason of  
25 illness or other unavoidable circumstance the trial attorney is  
26 unable to attend, the attorney who attends in place of the trial

1 attorney shall have equal familiarity with the case and equal  
2 authorization to make commitments on behalf of the client. All  
3 pro se parties must attend the pre-trial conference.

4 Counsel for all parties and all pro se parties are to be  
5 fully prepared for trial at the time of the pre-trial conference,  
6 with no matters remaining to be accomplished except production of  
7 witnesses for oral testimony. The parties shall file with the  
8 court, no later than seven days prior to the final pre-trial  
9 conference, a joint pre-trial statement.

10 **Also at the time of filing the Joint Pretrial Statement, counsel**  
11 **are requested to e-mail the Joint Pretrial Statement in WPD or**  
12 **Word format to Judge Mendez's assistant, Jane Pratt**  
13 **at: [jpratt@caed.uscourts.gov](mailto:jpratt@caed.uscourts.gov).**

14 Where the parties are unable to agree as to what legal or  
15 factual issues are properly before the court for trial, they  
16 should nevertheless list all issues asserted by any of the  
17 parties and indicate by appropriate footnotes the disputes  
18 concerning such issues. The provisions of Local Rule 16-281  
19 shall, however, apply with respect to the matters to be included  
20 in the joint pre-trial statement. Failure to comply with Local  
21 Rule 16-281, as modified herein, may be grounds for sanctions.

22 The parties are reminded that pursuant to Local Rule  
23 16-281(b)(10) and (11) they are required to list in the final  
24 pre-trial statement all witnesses and exhibits they propose to  
25 offer at trial, no matter for what purpose. These lists shall  
26 not be contained in the body of the final pre-trial statement

1 itself, but shall be attached as separate documents so that the  
2 court may attach them as an addendum to the final pre-trial  
3 order. The final pre-trial order will contain a stringent  
4 standard for the offering at trial of witnesses and exhibits not  
5 listed in the final pre-trial order, and the parties are  
6 cautioned that the standard will be strictly applied. On the  
7 other hand, the listing of exhibits or witnesses that a party  
8 does not intend to offer will be viewed as an abuse of the  
9 court's processes.

10 The parties are also reminded that pursuant to Rule 16,  
11 Fed. R. Civ. P., it will be their duty at the final pre-trial  
12 conference to aid the court in: (a) formulation and  
13 simplification of issues and the elimination of frivolous claims  
14 or defenses; (b) settling of facts which should properly be  
15 admitted; and (c) the avoidance of unnecessary proof and  
16 cumulative evidence. Counsel must cooperatively prepare the  
17 joint pre-trial statement and participate in good faith at the  
18 final pre-trial conference with these aims in mind. A failure to  
19 do so may result in the imposition of sanctions which may include  
20 monetary sanctions, orders precluding proof, elimination of  
21 claims or defenses, or such other sanctions as the court deems  
22 appropriate.

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TRIAL SETTING

Jury trial in this matter is set for **June 11, 2012** at 9:00 a.m. The parties estimate a trial length of approximately 3 days.

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

No Settlement Conference is currently scheduled. If the parties wish to have a settlement conference, one will be scheduled at the final pretrial conference or at an earlier time upon request of the parties.

OBJECTIONS TO STATUS (PRETRIAL SCHEDULING) ORDER

This Status Order will become final without further Order of Court unless objection is lodged within seven (7) days of the date of the filing of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 30, 2011

/s/ John A. Mendez  
JOHN A. MENDEZ  
United States District Judge