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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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9 Scott Johnson,
10 Plaintiff,
11 v.
12 Azizur Rehman; Omar Ghaith;
13 and Does 1-10,
14 Defendants.

No. 2:14-cv-01454-GEB-AC

**ORDER CONTINUING STATUS
(PRETRIAL SCHEDULING) CONFERENCE**

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16 Plaintiff states in the Joint Status Report ("JSR")
17 filed October 27, 2014, that he "anticipates joining additional
18 parties." (JSR 2:5, ECF No. 19.) This statement fails to comply
19 with Plaintiff's obligation under Rule 16 to provide meaningful
20 information on when the referenced joinder would be sought.

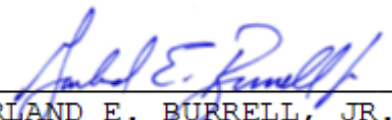
21 Parties anticipating possible
22 amendments have an unflagging
23 obligation to alert the Rule 16 scheduling
24 judge **of the . . . timing of such anticipated**
25 **amendments** in their status reports so that
26 the judge can consider whether such
amendments may properly be sought solely
under the Rule 15(a) standard, and whether
structuring discovery pertinent to the
parties' decision whether to amend is
feasible.

27 Jackson v. Laureate, Inc., 186 F.R.D. 605, 608 (E.D. Cal. 1999)
28 (emphasis added) (internal quotation marks omitted).

1 Therefore, the Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference
2 scheduled for hearing on November 10, 2014, is continued to
3 December 15, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. A further joint status report
4 shall be filed no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the
5 Status Conference, in which Plaintiff shall provide additional
6 information concerning the referenced joinder.

7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 Dated: November 5, 2014

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13 GARIAND E. BURRELL, JR.
14 Senior United States District Judge
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