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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

12 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE**  
 13 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA *ex rel.*,**  
 14 **ROBERTA ESFANDIARFARD,**

15 Plaintiffs,

16 v.

17 **SUTTER HEALTH, a California**  
**Corporation,**

18 Defendant.

Case No. 2:16-cv-0649 JAM AC

**ORDER ON STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S  
 NOTICE OF ELECTION TO DECLINE  
 INTERVENTION (CALIFORNIA  
 GOVERNMENT CODE §12652(c)(6)(B))**

19 The State of California ("California"), having declined to intervene in this action, and  
 20 pursuant to California's False Claims Act, the Court rules as follows:

21 All contents of the Court's file in this action shall remain under seal and not be made  
 22 public or served upon Defendant, except for this Order, California's Notice of Election to Decline  
 23 Intervention, and any election to intervene or decline intervention filed by the United States', all  
 24 of which Relator shall serve upon Defendant only after the unsealing of this matter and the  
 25 service of the Complaint;

26 Should the Relator or Defendant propose that this action be dismissed, settled, or  
 27 otherwise discontinued, the Court will solicit the written consent and approval of California  
 28 before ruling or granting its approval;

[PROPOSED] ORDER ON NOTICE OF ELECTION TO DECLINE INTERVENTION (CAL. GOV. CODE §12652(c)(6)(B))

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The parties shall serve all pleadings and motions subsequently filed in this action on California and California may order any deposition transcripts and is entitled to intervene in the action, for good cause shown, at a later date.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: 12/15/2017 \_\_\_\_\_  
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/s/ John A. Mendez  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE