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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, on)
behalf of itself and all)
other similarly situated,)
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Plaintiff(s),)
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v.)
)
ASTRA USA, INC., et al.,)
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Defendant(s).)
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No. C05-3740 WHA (BZ)

INITIAL DISCOVERY ORDER

All discovery in this matter has been referred to United States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman.

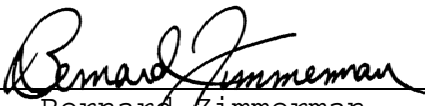
In the event a discovery dispute arises, the parties shall meet in person or, if counsel are outside the Bay Area, by telephone and make a good faith effort to resolve their dispute. Exchanging letters or telephone messages about the dispute is insufficient. The Court will not read subsequent positioning letters; parties shall instead make a contemporaneous record of their meeting using a tape recorder or a court reporter.

In the event they cannot resolve their dispute, the

1 parties must participate in a telephone conference with the
2 Court **before** filing any discovery motions or other papers.
3 The party seeking discovery shall request a conference in a
4 letter **filed electronically** not exceeding two pages (with no
5 attachments) which briefly explains the nature of the action
6 and the issues in dispute. Other parties shall reply in
7 similar fashion within two days of receiving the letter
8 requesting the conference. The Court will contact the parties
9 to schedule the conference.

10 After the conference with the Court, if filing papers is
11 deemed necessary, they should be filed **electronically** with the
12 Clerk's Office, with **one hard copy delivered directly to**
13 **Magistrate Judge Zimmerman's Chambers (Room 15-6688)**. A
14 chambers copy of all briefs shall be submitted on a diskette
15 formatted in WordPerfect or e-mailed to the following address:
16 **bzpo@cand.uscourts.gov**

17 Dated: February 23, 2009

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