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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JULIE CHATTLER,

Plaintiff,

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,

Defendants

No. C-07-4040 MMC

ORDER RE: ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO CONTINUE HEARING DATE ON MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT; VACATING MAY 22, 2009 HEARING; SETTING JULY 31, 2009 HEARING; CONTINUING CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Before the Court is plaintiff's Administrative Motion, filed May 18, 2009, by which plaintiff seeks to continue the May 22, 2009 hearing on the parties' respective motions for summary judgment. Defendants have filed opposition thereto. Having read and considered the parties' respective filings, the Court rules as follows.

In their opposition, defendants, as an alternative to continuing the May 22, 2009 hearing, suggest the Court hear, as scheduled, argument regarding the issues to which the recently-granted discovery does not pertain, i.e., the issues presented by the parties' respective motions other than the issue of prudential exhaustion. The Court, having read and considered the parties' respective motions for summary judgment, deems those former issues appropriate for determination without oral argument, and, accordingly, the hearing scheduled for May 22, 2009 is VACATED. If the Court ultimately determines those issues

contrary to the position asserted by defendants, the Court will thereafter consider the parties' respective arguments regarding prudential exhaustion. To allow plaintiffs sufficient time to conduct discovery with respect to that issue and to accommodate the particular concerns raised by defendants with respect to the availability of defendants' counsel, the hearing on the issue of prudential exhaustion is hereby scheduled for July 31, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.¹

Finally, in light of the pendency of the parties' respective motions for summary judgment, the Case Management Conference scheduled for June 19, 2009 is hereby CONTINUED to September 18, 2009; a Joint Case Management Statement shall be filed no later than September 11, 2009.

Japine M. Chelmen

United States District Judge

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 20, 2009

¹Should defendants later require an additional extension to accommodate defendants' counsel, defendants may seek such relief from the Court at that time.