

1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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4 SEIU *et al.*,

No. C 09-0404 WHA (MEJ)

5 Plaintiffs,

**ORDER FOR PARTIES TO COMPLY
WITH DISCOVERY STANDING ORDER**

6 v.

7 SAL ROSSELLI *et al.*,

8 Defendants.
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10 Although the Court has previously ordered the parties to comply with the undersigned's
11 discovery standing order, the parties continue to disregard it. All discovery disputes, unless
12 otherwise permitted by Court order, must be presented in the form of a joint letter, and that letter
13 may only be filed after the parties have met and conferred in person. This includes, for example,
14 disputes that arise regarding disputes that have already been presented to the Court, but one side
15 decides it needs to present more information, such as the letters filed by the parties today. (Dkt. ##
16 216, 217.)

17 Given the excessive filings in this case (as noted by Judge Alsup in his May 20, 2009 Case
18 Management Order), and the fact that this is not the only case pending before the Court, the parties
19 must comply with the procedural rules. Accordingly, the Court shall not consider any filings by the
20 parties that do not comply with the standing order. If a dispute arises and one party is unable to gain
21 the other party's compliance with the standing order, that party shall follow the procedure detailed in
22 ¶ 4 of the order. The parties should be aware that failure to agree to meet and confer in good faith
23 may result in the imposition of sanctions.

24 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

25 Dated: May 21, 2009

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28 MARIA ELENA JAMES
United States Magistrate Judge