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1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 Northern District of California 5 6 7 No. C 11-1215 WHA (MEJ) INT'L LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE UNION-PACIFIC MARITIME ASSOC. 8 ORDER FOR PARTIES TO WELFARE PLAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, et al.. APPEAR FOR COURTROOM MEET AND CONFER SESSION 9 Plaintiffs, 10 v. 11 SOUTH GATE AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER, et al., 12 Defendants. 13 14 15 The Court is in receipt of Defendants' discovery letter, filed May 24, 2012. Dkt. No. 122. In 16 17 18 19

the request, Defendants state that Plaintiff has failed to comply with discovery obligations. Pursuant to the undersigned's discovery standing order, as to any discovery dispute, the parties must meet and confer in person and, if unable to resolve the dispute, file a joint letter. The Court requires parties to meet and confer and submit a joint letter because it allows the disputed issues to be distilled and each of the arguments framed in a manner that allows the Court to rule on them efficiently. As it appears that the parties have been unable to comply with the standing order, the Court hereby ORDERS the parties to meet and confer, in person, on June 4, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in Courtroom B, located on the 15th Floor of the Federal Building, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

At the meet and confer session, the parties shall come prepared to meaningfully discuss and resolve their outstanding discovery dispute(s). In the event that the parties are unable to resolve their disputes, they shall draft a joint letter at the meet and confer session in compliance with paragraph 4 of the standing order, and said letter shall be presented by the parties for filing at the

conclusion of the session. Thus, the parties are ORDERED to bring with them one laptop and a USB port-compatible storage medium (such as a thumb drive) to use in drafting said letter. The parties are advised that they will not meet with the undersigned during or after the meet and confer session.

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If the parties are able to meet and confer in person and resolve their disputes or file any necessary joint meet and confer letters prior to the meet and confer session, the parties shall jointly request that the Court vacate the date.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 24, 2012

Maria-Elena James Chief United States Magistrate Judge