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VIA ECF

The Honorable Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero
450 Golden Gate Avenue
15th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Smalley et al. v. Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., Case No. 11-cv-02951-JCS

Dear Judge Spero:

We represent plaintiffs in the above referenced action. Pursuant to Your Honor's Standing Orders and Civil L.R. 16-10(a), I write to request that lead counsel in the case, Mr. Lee Squitieri, be permitted to appear telephonically at the case management conference scheduled February 17, 2012 at 1:30 PST.

If my request is granted, Mr. Lee Squitieri will be available on a land line phone at (212)-421-6492 at 1:30 PST.

Dated: Feb. 13, 2012



Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Caitlin Duffy

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