

16 action. Pursuant to that order, all potential class members could request exclusion from the 17 settlement agreement provided they submit legible requests for exclusion "no later than 21 days 18 prior to the Final Approval Hearing," which took place on February 11, 2016. Dkt. 155 ¶ 16. 19 Reinhard Baumann, a potential class member, postmarked his request for exclusion and sent it to 20 the claims administrator on March 7, 2016—more than six weeks after the deadline. The order of 21 preliminary approval authorizes this court to accept untimely or improper request for exclusion. 22 See id. ("The Request for Exclusion shall not be effective unless . . . made within the time stated 23 above, or unless the exclusion is otherwise accepted by the Court."). Baumann's letter does not 24 evince cause to accept this untimely request, and therefore it is denied.

25 **IT IS SO ORDERED**.

26 Dated: April 5, 2016

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RICHARD SEEBORG United States District Judge

United States District Court Northern District of California