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JOINT STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER

Plaintiffs in this action, Defendant GlaxoSmithKline LLC, (f/k/a SmithKline Beecham Corporation d/b/a GlaxoSmithKline) ("GSK") and Defendant McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"), hereby submit, through their undersigned counsel of record, the following Stipulation and accompanying [Proposed] Order.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 81(c)(2), Defendants GSK, and McKesson (collectively, "Defendants") have not yet answered the Plaintiffs' Complaint prior to removal of this case from San Francisco Superior Court on July 9, 2013. Defendants have 21 days after "receiving--through service or otherwise--a copy of the initial pleading stating the claim for relief" and therefore have 21 days to Answer Plaintiffs' Complaint. McKesson was served with Plaintiffs' Complaint on July 1, 2013. GSK has not been served with Plaintiffs' Complaint. GSK intends to file a Motion to Stay. Plaintiffs intend to file a Motion to Remand. (See Declaration of Steven J. Boranian ("Boranian Decl.") in Support of Joint Stipulation Extending Defendants' time to Answer Complaint ¶ 5)

WHEREAS, the parties, having met and conferred, pursuant to Civil L.R 6-3, jointly stipulate to and respectfully request that this Court extend the time for Defendants to Answer the Complaint until 30 days after entry of an order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand. (See Boranian Decl. ¶ 6)

WHEREAS, the parties agree that good cause exists for the requested extension of time in order to serve the interests of judicial economy, efficiency, and fairness. This action will either be remanded to the Superior Court of San Francisco or transferred to the Avandia MDL. Therefore, in order to conserve the resources of the Court and the parties, all parties agree that Defendants' Answers should ultimately be filed in the San Francisco Superior Court or in the Avandia MDL. (See Boranian Decl. ¶ 7)

WHEREAS, no party to this case has previously requested any time modifications in this action. (See Boranian Decl. ¶ 8)

By the filing of this Joint Stipulation and Proposed Order, the Plaintiffs do not concede, and

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FILER'S ATTESTATION

Pursuant to Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), the undersigned attests that all signatories have concurred in the filing of this Joint Stipulation And [Proposed] Order Extending Time for Defendants to Answer Plaintiffs' Complaint.

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DATED: July 18, 2013

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By: <u>/s/ Steven J. Boranian</u>

Steven J. Boranian **Attorneys for Defendants** GlaxoSmithKline LLC (formerly known as SmithKline Beecham Corporation d/b/a GlaxoSmithKline) and McKesson Corporation

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[PROPOSED] ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED

DATED: _____7/19/13

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I, Steven J. Boranian, declare:

- I am an attorney duly admitted to practice law in the State of California and a partner at Reed Smith LLP, counsel for defendant GlaxoSmithKline LLC ("GSK") and McKesson Corporation ("McKesson"). I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this declaration and for those matters for which I do not have personal knowledge, I am informed and believe they are true. I could and would testify to these matters if called as a witness.
- 2. I submit this Declaration in support of a joint request to extend the time for Defendants to Answer the Complaint until 30 days after entry of an order on a Motion to Remand, this action which has been removed by GSK into federal court.
- 3. Pursuant to Rule 7.5(c) of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation ("R.P.J.P.M.D.L."), GSK provided notice to the JPML of the pendency of this "tag-along" action on July 16, 2013, so that the process to transfer to the Avandia MDL might occur
- 4. GSK anticipates that the JPML will soon issue a Conditional Transfer Order, conditionally transferring this case to the Avandia MDL.
- 5. Prior to GSK's removal of this action on July 9, 2013, GSK had not been served with the Complaint. Defendant McKesson was served with the Complaint on July 1, 2013. GSK and McKesson (collectively, "Defendants") have not yet answered the Complaint. GSK intends to file a Motion to Stay. Plaintiffs intend to file a Motion to Remand.
- 6. All parties, having met and conferred, pursuant to Civil L.R 6-3, jointly stipulate to and respectfully request that this Court extend the time for Defendants to Answer the Complaint until 30 days after entry of an order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand.
- 7. The parties agree that good cause exists for the requested extension of time in order to serve the interests of judicial economy, efficiency, and fairness. GSK anticipates that the JPML will soon issue a Conditional Transfer Order, conditionally transferring this case to the Avandia MDL, which will be timely opposed by Plaintiffs. Therefore this action will either be remanded to the Superior Court of San Francisco or transferred to the Avandia MDL. Therefore, in order to conserve

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the resources of the Court and the parties, all parties agree that the Defendants' Answers should ultimately be filed in the San Francisco Superior Court or the Avandia MDL.

- No party to this case has previously requested any time modifications in this action.
- 9. Therefore, because this action is unlikely to remain before this Court, the requested relief would not cause any undue hardship, delay, or prejudice to either party or the Court and is warranted by the circumstances in this case.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED: July 18, 2013

/s/ Steven J. Boranian Steven J. Boranian