John R. Till SBN 178763 JTill@PaladinLaw.com 1 Kirk M. Tracy SBN 288508 KTracy@PaladinLaw.com PALADIN LAW GROUP® LLP 2 1176 Boulevard Way 3 Walnut Creek, CA 94595 Telephone: (925) 947-5700 4 Facsimile: (925) 935-8488 5 Counsel for Plaintiffs 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVSION 11 RYAN SCHAEFFER, an individual; ANNE Case No. 3:13-CV-4358 JST 12 SCHAEFFER, an individual; and REESE STIPULATION AND (PROPOSED) SCHAEFFER, a minor by and through her 13 general guardians Ryan Schaeffer and Anne ORDER TO MODIFY SCHEDULING ORDER Schaeffer, 14 Plaintiffs, 15 Courtroom 9 – 19th Floor Trial Date: February 29, 2016 ν. 16 GREGORY VILLAGE PARTNERS, L.P., a 17 California Partnership, et al. 18 Defendants. 19 20 Plaintiffs Ryan Schaeffer, Anne Schaeffer, and Reese Schaeffer (collectively, 21 "Plaintiffs"), defendants Gregory Village Partners, L.P. and VPI, Inc. (general partner of Gregory 22 Village Partners, L.P.) (collectively, "Gregory Village"), and defendants Joseph Lee, Moon Lim, 23 and Jiewon Lim (collectively, "Lee-Lim Defendants") (collectively, "Defendants") submit this 24 stipulation and proposed order to modify the Court's current scheduling order and extend the 25 current discovery cut-off deadlines in light of the fact that Plaintiffs have reached settlement with 26 all non-defaulting defendants in this matter. 27 28



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#### 1. Settlement Status

## a. Chevron and MBE Settlement and Motion for Good Faith Determination:

Plaintiffs, Chevron, and MBE fully executed a settlement agreement on June 15, 2015. See ECF No. 255, at 14. On July 1, 2015, Chevron and MBE filed a Motion for Good Faith Settlement Determination, with hearing on the motion set for August 6, 2015. ECF No. 255. The deadline for oppositions to that motion was July 15, 2015. No oppositions were filed. If the Court grants the motion, Plaintiffs will file a motion to dismiss Chevron and MBE. On July 27, 2015, the Court vacated the hearing for Chevron's good faith determination motion. The parties are awaiting the court's ruling on this motion.

### b. Gregory Village Settlement:

Plaintiffs and Gregory Village fully executed a settlement agreement as of July 24, 2015. Gregory Village will file a motion for good faith settlement determination within 15 days of final execution of the agreement. The settlement agreement is contingent upon the court granting that motion and on granting a minor's compromise to be filed by Plaintiffs after the Court's determination of good faith.

### c. Lee-Lim Settlement:

Plaintiffs and Lee-Lim Defendants fully executed a settlement agreement on July 21, 2015. See Notice of Settlement, ECF No. 265. Lee-Lim Defendants intend to file a motion for good faith settlement determination within 20 days. The settlement agreement is contingent upon the court granting that motion.

#### d. Discovery:

Plaintiffs, Gregory Village, and Lee-Lim Defendants have worked with the Honorable Wayne D. Brazil (Ret.), the Special Master assigned for discovery disputes in this matter, see ECF No. 243. Given that Plaintiffs have now settled with the Gregory Village and Lee-Lim Defendants, Judge Brazil, based on the existing good cause, has agreed that, and recommends that, the parties refrain from further discovery in this matter until further recommendation or order by him or by the Court. Plaintiffs, Gregory Village, and Lee-Lim Defendants have agreed to take all scheduled depositions off calendar now that settlements agreements have been

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e. Case Deadlines:

order modifying currently set case deadlines.

The current case deadlines, as set by the Court's January 20, 2015 order, ECF No. 137, are as follows:

executed and to withdraw all pending written discovery between Plaintiffs, Gregory Village, and

Lee-Lim Defendants pending orders related to good faith and minor's compromise motions.

Plaintiffs, Gregory Village, and Lee-Lim Defendants further agree that all expert discovery dates

will be modified by at least 30 days pending the Court's order on this stipulation and proposed

Event	Deadline
Fact Discovery Cut-off	August 14, 2015
Expert Disclosures	August 28, 2015
Expert Rebuttal	September 30, 2015
Expert Discovery Cut-off	October 30, 2015
Deadline to File Dispositive Motions	November 20, 2015
Pretrial Conference Statement	February 2, 2016
Pretrial Conference	February 12, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Jury Trial	February 29, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Plaintiffs have settled with all active defendants, yet each settlement is contingent upon the Court's approval of a motion good faith settlement determination. Plaintiffs will also file an application for approval of minor's compromise after the motions for good faith settlement determination have been granted for Gregory Village, and a motion for approval of minor's compromise related to the Lee-Lim Defendants settlement is also intended after a good faith settlement determination has been made as to that settlement. In an effort to avoid unnecessary expenditure of attorney fees and costs, Plaintiffs, Gregory Village, and Lee-Lim Defendants have agreed to take all depositions off calendar, withdraw all pending written discovery, and to refrain from asking the Special Master to rule on any pending discovery disputes. However, the fact discovery cut-off date is August 14, 2015, which will pass before the Court issues a ruling on the



various motions for good faith settlement determination and Plaintiffs' anticipated application for approval of minor's compromise. Judge Brazil supports this modification regarding discovery and expert disclosure deadlines pending further order of the Court and believes the parties requested modifications are in the interest of justice and necessary for preservation of parties' resources and judicial economy. If the Court denies the requested extension of case deadlines, the parties will work with the Special Master on the discovery deadlines and expert deadlines. Accordingly, the parties stipulate as follows:

# STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER

WHEREAS Plaintiffs Ryan Schaeffer, Anne Schaeffer, and Reese Schaeffer ("Plaintiffs") on the one hand and defendants Chevron U.S.A. Inc., M.B. Enterprises, Inc., Massoud Ebrahimi, Bhagdeep Dhaliwal, Gregory Village Partners, L.P., VPI, Inc., Joseph J. Lee, Moon S. Lim, and Jiewon Lim ("Defendants"), which are all of the active non-defaulting parties, have executed separate settlement agreements in this matter.

WHEREAS Plaintiffs and Defendants hereby request that the deadlines currently set in the Court's Scheduling Order (ECF No. 137) be extended by six (6) months, or such other extension as the Court deems reasonable and sufficient, in order to allow Plaintiffs and Defendants to file, have heard, and have ruled upon motions for good faith settlement determination<sup>1</sup> and an application for approval of minor's compromise.

NOW, THEREFORE, Plaintiffs and Defendants stipulate to and request the following modified litigation deadlines:

Event	Deadline
Stay on Deposition Discovery Lifted	February 24, 2014
Fact Discovery Cut-off	February 19, 2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One motion is currently pending, see ECF No. 255. A second motion will be filed in regards to the settlement between Plaintiffs and Gregory Village Partners, L.P. and VPI, Inc. A third motion will be filed regarding the settlement with Joseph J. Lee, Moon S. Lim, and Jiewon Lim.

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Date: July 27, 2015

Designation of Experts	March 4, 2016
Designation of Rebuttal Experts	March 30, 2016
Expert Discovery Cut-off	April 29, 2016
Last Day for Filing Dispositive Motions	May 20, 2016
Pretrial Statement	August 2, 2016
Pretrial Conference	August 12, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Jury Trial	August 29, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

FURTHER, in the event the Court does not agree with and order this proposed modification of deadlines, the parties request a telephonic conference with the Court at its earliest convenience in order to address the above case management issues and deadlines.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

Date: July 27, 2015 PALADIN LAW GROUP® LI
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Date: July 27, 2015 STANZLER LAW GROUP

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Counsel for Gregory Village Properties, LP, and VPI, Inc.

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> Alan Johnston, Esq. Counsel for Joseph J. Lee, Moon Lim, and

Jiewon Lim

The Special Master, The Hon. Wayne D. Brazil (Ret.), endorses the stipulation of the

parties.

Hon, Wayne D. Brazil (Ret

1	PURSUANT TO STIPULATION AND GOOD CAUSE SHOWS OF IC SO ORDERED that
2	this Court amends the existing deadlines set torth in ECF No. 137 in this matter to incorporate the
3	parties' modified case deadlines dates proposed above
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