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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

12 MOHAMMED KARWASH and  
 ROSAMARIA KARWASH, individuals,

13 Plaintiffs,

14 vs.

15 EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION, a New  
 16 Jersey corporation, and DOES 1 through 5,  
 inclusive,

17 Defendants.

Case No. C09-04847 MEJ

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE OF  
 CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE  
 AND ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER**

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1 Plaintiffs Mohammed Karwash and Rosamaria Karwash, hereby respectfully request that  
2 the Court continue the case management conference, presently set for January 21, 2010, at 10:00  
3 a.m., to a date after March 22, 2010, which is reasonably calculated to allow Plaintiffs time to  
4 serve the Complaint for Damages and Declaratory Relief on Defendant Exxon Mobil Corporation  
5 (“Exxon Mobil”). The continuance of the case management conference will also continue all the  
6 ADR deadlines previously scheduled and filed by the court on October 13, 2009.

7 Prior to the filing of this action, Plaintiffs’ counsel engaged in extensive settlement  
8 discussions with counsel for Exxon Mobil. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, based upon  
9 subsequent discussions with Exxon Mobil’s local counsel after the filing of this action, that said  
10 counsel is not authorized to accept service of the Complaint on behalf of Exxon Mobil. At this  
11 time, service is being attempted upon Exxon Mobil, a New Jersey corporation, through its  
12 registered agent for service of process. Accordingly, no defendant has appeared in this action.  
13 Therefore, Plaintiffs are unable to meaningfully prepare this matter for the January 21, 2010 case  
14 management conference, and to avoid unnecessarily consuming the time and resources of this  
15 Court, request a continuance of the currently scheduled case management conference and all  
16 associated ADR deadlines.

17 Dated: December 31, 2009

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19 By: /s/ William C. Acevedo

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Mohammed Karwash and Rosamaria

Karwash, individuals

23 **ORDER**

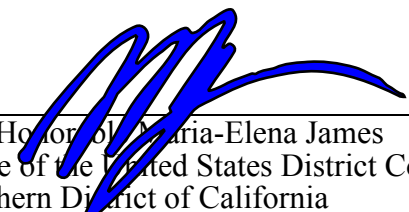
24 Upon good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

25 The initial case management conference shall be continued from January 21, 2010 to  
26 10:00 a.m. on April 1, 2010 in Courtroom B of this Court. ~~The meet and confer~~  
27 ~~deadline regarding initial disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery~~

1 ~~plan shall be continued from December 31, 2009 to \_\_\_\_\_, 2010. The deadline for~~  
2 ~~filing of the Rule 26(f) Report and initial Case Management Statement shall be continued from~~  
3 ~~January 14, 2010 to \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.~~

4 All deadlines shall be adjusted accordingly.

5 Dated: January 6, 2010  
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7 By:   
8 \_\_\_\_\_  
9 The Honorable Maria-Elena James  
10 Judge of the United States District Court  
11 Northern District of California

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