

On June 13, 2014, Plaintiff filed two sequential ex parte letters regarding certain of its
discovery requests. *See* Docket Nos. 78, 79. The court denied these letters without prejudice and
directed the parties to "meet and confer in person or by telephone and . . . file a joint discovery
letter." Docket No. 80. However, instead of filing a joint letter, Plaintiff and Defendant each filed
an ex parte letter. [Docket No. 93, 94.]

Also pending before the court are the parties' motions for summary judgment. *See* Docket
Nos. 68, 70. Neither party has indicated in its briefs related to these motions that "it cannot present
facts essential to justify its opposition" pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(d). Nor do
the discovery letters indicate that the disputed discovery is necessary for the determination of the
motions.

Accordingly, both discovery letters are **denied without prejudice**. The parties are directed
to meet and confer regarding the disputes raised in the discovery letters. If they are unable to

resolve their disputes without judicial intervention, the parties shall file a **joint** discovery letter by July 3, 2014 at 10 a.m. A hearing on the joint letter, if any, will be held on July 31, 2014. Lead counsel for the parties are ordered to appear at the hearing. Following the hearing, lead counsel shall meet and confer in the courthouse regarding their discovery disputes and any remaining disputes, and shall be prepared to devote the entire day, if necessary, to resolving the disputes. Failure to follow this order may result in sanctions to either party or both. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: June 24, 2014 DONNA M. RYU United States Magistrate Judge 

United States District Court For the Northern District of California