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3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
4 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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7 APL CO PTE LTD, et al.,

8 Plaintiffs,

No. C 13-3706 PJH

9 v.

**ORDER OF REFERENCE TO
MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

10 IMPX TRADERS INC., et al.,

11 Defendants.
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13 In the above-captioned case, all parties have now consented to proceed before a
14 Magistrate Judge for all purposes. Defendants IMPX Traders and Malleshwar Hiriur filed
15 their consent on September 23, 2013. See Dkt. 10. Defendant Hiriur, as president of
16 IMPX Traders, does have the power to give such consent on behalf of the corporation.
17 Plaintiffs APL Co. Pte., Ltd. and American President Lines, Ltd., in their case management
18 statement, stated that they “consent to a Magistrate Judge for all purposes.” See Dkt. 20 at
19 6. Accordingly, pursuant to Local Rule 72-1 and the consent of the parties, this matter is
20 referred for random assignment of a Magistrate Judge for all purposes including trial and
21 entry of judgment.

22 The court also notes that defendant Hiriur may represent only himself pro se, and
23 may not appear on behalf of corporate defendant IMPX Traders. That is because a pro se
24 litigant may not represent anyone but himself and because a corporation may not appear in
25 federal court except through counsel. IMPX Traders must retain counsel to represent it.
26 The assigned Magistrate Judge will determine how much time shall be given to do so.

27 Finally, the court VACATES the case management conference scheduled for
28 November 14, 2013, and notes that no hearing has yet been set on defendants’ motion to

1 dismiss. The parties will be advised of the date, time and place of the next appearance by
2 notice from the assigned Magistrate Judge.

3 While the court will serve a copy of this order on the defendants by mail, since
4 neither has yet been given permission to e-file, given the Thursday deadline that is being
5 vacated, plaintiffs' counsel is ordered to contact defendants by telephone immediately
6 about the contents of this order.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

8 Dated: November 12, 2013



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11 PHYLLIS J. HAMILTON
12 United States District Judge
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