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from attempts to avoid waiving privilege, particularly when discovery of electronic information is involved). When a particular Rule 34 request requires a production or inspection that is too voluminous, expedited or complex (such as certain electronic productions) to allow for an adequate preproduction review, the parties may enter into non-waiver agreements for that particular production. If the Requesting Party is unwilling to enter into such an agreement, the Producing Party may move the court for a non-waiver order.

In the event that, despite reasonable efforts, a Producing Party discovers it has inadvertently produced privileged materials, then within 30 calendar days the Producing Party shall notify the Receiving Party that the document(s) or materials should have been withheld on grounds of privilege. After the Receiving Party receives this notice from the Producing Party under this paragraph, the Receiving Party shall not disclose or release the inadvertently produced material to any person or entity pending resolution of the Producing Party's claim of privilege. The parties shall hold a meet and confer, as defined in Civil Local Rule 1-5(n), as soon as reasonably possible after a notice of inadvertent production. If the Producing Party and Receiving Party agree that the inadvertently produced material is privileged, and was disclosed despite efforts by the Producing Party that were 'reasonably designed' to protect the materials, then the Receiving Party shall return or certify the destruction of all copies (including summaries) of such material. If no agreement is reached, then within 10 court days after the meet and confer, the Producing Party must seek a ruling from this court to establish that the material is privileged and that the Producing Party did not waive the privilege by inadvertently producing the material. If the Producing Party seeks such a ruling, the Receiving Party shall not disclose or release the inadvertently produced material to any person or entity pending the court's ruling on the Producing Party's motion.

Additionally, the parties are advised to review the model stipulated protective order on the court's website located at www.cand.uscourts.gov.

Pending entry of the final form of protective order, the provisions of the parties' proposed form of protective order, as modified herein, shall govern the handling of confidential information exchanged or disclosed during discovery in this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 8/10/09

United States Magistrate Judge