Be Stricken, Default Entered, and a Default Judgment Issued Against Defendants). Defendants have not responded to that order. If a defendant has failed to defend and that failure is shown by affidavit or otherwise, then the clerk must enter the defendant's default. Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(a). The clerk or the court, upon the plaintiff's request, may then issue a default judgment against the defendant. Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(b). Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants' answer is stricken. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants' default will be entered. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiffs shall apply for a default judgment no later than January 21, 2011. Dated: January 7, 2011 United States Magistrate Judge