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original hearing date. Accordingly, counsel for Objector, and possibly others, now have calendar conflicts.

Class counsel indicated in its response to Objector's Request for Continuance that "eight sets of objectors and/or class members have entered notice that they will appear at the Fairness Hearing as well." Indeed, these class members entered notice that they would appear at the *January 31*, 2011 hearing. However, Objector doubts that anyone checked with them to see if they will now be appearing at the February 7, 2011 hearing.

Objector realizes and appreciates the Court's need to manage its busy calendar, and understands the difficulties in coordinating the schedules of numerous counsel. That is why Objector framed her Request for Continuance with an alternative request for telephonic appearance. However, given Objector's counsel's experience with appearances by telephone, this is not the best solution.

Objector prefers that her counsel be accommodated by a further continuance in light of the inherent shortcomings of telephonic appearances given the available technology. Nevertheless, if the Court is not inclined to grant a continuance due to the difficulty of coordinating a multitude of calendars, Objector respectfully requests the next best relief in the form of appearance by telephone.

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