

Exhibit 9

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

MONSANTO COMPANY and)
MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC,)
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Plaintiffs,)
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vs.)
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E.I. DUPONT DE NEMOURS AND)
COMPANY and PIONEER HI-BRED)
INTERNATIONAL, INC.)
)
Defendants.)

Case No. 4:09CV00686 ERW

FOURTH AMENDED CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER
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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following schedule shall now apply in this case, and will be modified only upon a showing of exceptional circumstances:

I. SCHEDULING PLAN

1. The parties shall complete all fact discovery in this case no later than **November 15, 2011**.
2. Motions to compel shall be pursued in a diligent and timely manner, but in no event filed more than ten (10) days following the discovery deadline set out above.
3. The parties shall disclose all expert witnesses on the issues they bear the burden of proof and shall provide the reports required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) no later than **December 5, 2011**. The parties shall disclose all rebuttal expert witnesses and shall provide the reports required by Rule 26(a)(2) no later than **January 16, 2012**. Reports regarding the existence of secondary considerations of non-obviousness, if any, shall be disclosed in rebuttal to Defendants' expert reports addressing obviousness. If such secondary considerations reports are disclosed, Defendants shall have the opportunity to submit reply reports on issues of secondary considerations no later than **February 13, 2012**. The parties shall make all expert witnesses available for depositions, and have all such depositions completed, no later than **February 20, 2012**.

4. Any motions to dismiss, motions for judgment on the pleadings, and motions for summary judgment must be filed no later than **March 1, 2012**. Briefs in opposition shall be filed no later than thirty (30) days after the filing of the initial motion, and replies no later than thirty (30) days thereafter. Sur-replies shall only be permitted with leave of the Court and upon a showing of extraordinary circumstances.

5. The final Pretrial Conference will be held on **June 26, 2012**, at **9:00 a.m.**

6. Jury Selection shall commence on **June 27, 2012**, at **9:00 a.m.**

II. ORDER RELATING TO TRIAL

This action is set for a **JURY** trial on **July 9, 2012**, at **8:30 a.m.** This is a **three** week docket.

Pursuant to Local Rule 8.04, the court may tax against one or all parties the per diem, mileage, and other expenses of providing a jury for the parties, if the case is terminated or settled by the parties at a time too late to cancel the jury attendance or to use the summoned jurors in another trial, unless good cause for the delayed termination or settlement is shown.

In this case, unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the attorneys shall, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set for trial:

1. Stipulation: Meet and jointly prepare and file with the Clerk a JOINT Stipulation of all uncontested facts, which may be read into evidence subject to any objections of any party set forth in said stipulation (including a brief summary of the case which may be used on Voir Dire).

2. Witnesses:

(a) Deliver to opposing counsel, and to the Clerk, a list of all proposed witnesses, identifying those witnesses who will be called to testify and those who may be called.

(b) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to call any witnesses not listed in compliance with this Order.

3. Exhibits:

(a) Mark for identification all exhibits to be offered in evidence at the trial (Plaintiffs shall mark exhibits P-1, P-2, P-3, etc. Defendants shall mark exhibits D-1, D-2, D-3, etc.) and deliver to opposing counsel and to the Clerk a list of such exhibits, identifying those that will be introduced into evidence and those that may be introduced. The list shall clearly indicate for each business record whether the proponent seeks to authenticate the business record by affidavit or declaration pursuant to Fed.R.Evid. 902(11) or 902(12).

(b) Submit said exhibits or true copies thereof, and copies of all affidavits or declarations pursuant to Fed.R.Evid. 902(11) or 902(12), to opposing counsel for examination. Prior to trial, the parties shall stipulate which exhibits may be introduced without objection or preliminary identification, and shall file written objections to all other exhibits.

(c) No exhibit shall be shown to the jury in opening statements or at any other time until it is received in evidence or the Court has granted permission for the exhibit to be shown to the jury.

(d) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to offer any exhibits not identified or not submitted by said party for examination by opposing counsel in compliance with this Order. Any objections not made in writing **at least fifteen (15) days prior to trial** may be considered waived.

4. Depositions, Interrogatory Answers, and Request for Admissions:

(a) Deliver to opposing counsel and to the Clerk a list of all interrogatory answers or parts thereof and depositions or parts thereof (identified by page and line numbers), and answers to requests for admissions proposed to be offered in evidence. **At least fifteen (15) days before trial**, opposing counsel shall state in writing any objections to such testimony and shall identify any additional portions of such depositions not listed by the offering party which opposing counsel proposes to offer.

(b) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to offer any interrogatory answer, or deposition or part thereof, or answer to a request for admissions not listed in compliance with this Order. Any objections not made as above required may be considered waived.

5. Instructions:

(a) Submit to the Court and to opposing counsel their written request for instructions and forms of verdicts reserving the right to submit requests for additional or modified instructions **at least fifteen (15) days before trial** in light of opposing party's requests for instructions. (Each request must be supported by at least one pertinent citation.)

(b) Eighth Circuit Jury Instructions will be used in all cases if available. If instructions from any other source are proffered, they must be accompanied by case authority.

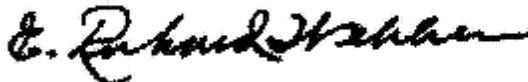
(c) Parties shall submit a "clean" copy and a "dirty" copy of each instruction proffered. A "clean" copy for the jury will reflect only "Instruction No. ____" at the top with no further explanatory comments at the top or bottom of the page.

6. Trial Briefs: Submit to the Court and opposing counsel a trial brief stating the legal and factual issues and authorities relied on and discussing any anticipated substantive or procedural problems.

7. Motions In Limine: File all motions in limine to exclude evidence, and submit a courtesy copy directly to the Court's chambers, at least fifteen (15) days before trial.

Failure to comply with any part of this order may result in the imposition of sanctions.

Dated this 28th Day of October, 2011.



E. RICHARD WEBBER
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE