

Tessera requests an order under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 28(b) approving depositions of certain Toshiba employees to take place at the U.S. Consulate in Osaka, Japan. Dkt. No. 69. Toshiba objects to the relevance, burden, time, location, and proportionality of the depositions, and requests a protective order against Tessera's abusive discovery tactics. Dkt. No. 72.

It is not evident that the parties conferred with each other about the proposed 22 depositions before Tessera filed its proposed order. This is the second time in the last 23 month that Tessera has failed to meet the Court's expectations for communicating and 24 cooperating with opposing counsel before presenting a discovery dispute. See Dkt. No. 57.

As Tessera has failed to show good cause for the proposed depositions, the Court 25 26 denies the proposed order. The parties are ordered to confer with each other and by 27 February 16, 2016, to either: (i) stipulate to depositions in Japan (including identity of

28 witnesses, time and location of depositions, and any agreements on cost sharing) and file a Case No. 15-cv-02543 BLF (NC)

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stipulated proposed order approving the depositions; or (ii) to file a joint letter brief setting
forth their positions and proposed solutions. Tessera is warned that a further failure to
cooperate in discovery will result in sanctions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 2, 2016

NATHANAEL M. COUSINS United States Magistrate Judge

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