IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO Judge Robert E. Blackburn

Civil Case No. 10-cv-02105-REB-KLM

HAROLD M. "MICKEY" FRANCIS, TOMMIE H. FRANCIS, and TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, as subrogee of the Petroleumplace, Inc.,

Plaintiffs.

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STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS WORLDWIDE, INC., d/b/a Le Meridian Heliopolis, a Maryland corporation,

STARWOOD HOTLES & RESORTS MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., a Maryland corporation,

THE SHERATON, LLC a Delaware limited liability company, STARWOOD INTERNATIONAL LICENSING COMPANY SARL, a Luxembourg corporation,

STARWOOD (M) FRANCE HOLDINGS SAS, French corporation, SOCIETES DES HOTELS MERIDIEN SAS, a French corporation, and MERIDIEN SAS, a French corporation,

Defendants.

ORDER DISMISSING WITHOUT PREJUDICE DEFENDANTS,
STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC.,
THE SHERATON, LLC,
STARWOOD INTERNATIONAL LICENSING COMPANY SARL,
STARWOOD FRANCE HOLDINGS SAS,
SOCIETES DES HOTELS MERIDIEN SAS, and
MERIDIEN SAS

Blackburn, J.

The matter is before me on the Joint Stipulation Dismissing Defendants

Starwood Hotels & Resorts Management Company, Inc., The Sheraton, LLC,

Starwood International Licensing Company SARL, Starwood France Holdings, SAS,

Societes Des Hotels Meridien SAS, and Meridien SAS Without Prejudice Pursuant

To Fed. R. Civ. P 41(A)(1)(A)(ii) [#95]¹ filed July 8, 2011. After reviewing the stipulation

¹"[#95]" is an example of the convention I use to identify the docket number assigned to a specific paper by the court's electronic case filing and management system (CM/ECF). I use this convention throughout this order.

and the file, I conclude that the stipulation should be approved and that plaintiffs' claims against defendants, Starwood Hotels & Resorts Management Company, Inc., The Sheraton, LLC, Starwood International Licensing Company SARL, Starwood France Holdings, SAS, Societes Des Hotels Meridien SAS, and Meridien SAS, should be dismissed without prejudice.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the Joint Stipulation Dismissing Defendants Starwood Hotels & Resorts Management Company, Inc., The Sheraton, LLC, Starwood International Licensing Company SARL, Starwood France Holdings, SAS, Societes Des Hotels Meridien SAS, and Meridien SAS Without Prejudice Pursuant To Fed. R. Civ. P 41(A)(1)(A)(ii) [#95] filed July 8, 2011, is APPROVED;
- That plaintiffs' claims against defendants, Starwood Hotels & Resorts
 Management Company, Inc., The Sheraton, LLC, Starwood International Licensing
 Company SARL, Starwood France Holdings, SAS, Societes Des Hotels Meridien SAS,
 and Meridien SAS, are **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**; and
- 3. That defendants, Starwood Hotels & Resorts Management Company, Inc., The Sheraton, LLC, Starwood International Licensing Company SARL, Starwood France Holdings, SAS, Societes Des Hotels Meridien SAS, and Meridien SAS, are **DROPPED** as named parties to this litigation, and the case caption is amended accordingly.

Dated July 11, 2011, at Denver, Colorado.

BY THE COURT:

Robert E. Blackburn

United States District Judge