IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

MARK S. SMITH, JR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

WACKER NUESON CORPORATION, and WACKER NUESON SE,

Defendants.

No. 09-1064-DRH

WACKER NUESON CORPORATION, and WACKER NUESON SE,

Third-Party Plaintiffs,

v.

FONTANA CONTRACTING COMPANY, and WESCON PRODUCTS COMPANY, a subsidiary of Latshaw Enterprises, Inc.,

Third-Party Defendants.

ORDER

HERNDON, Chief Judge:

Now before the Court are Third-Party Defendant Fontana Contracting Company's September 29, 2010 motions to set aside default (Doc. 53) and for leave to file an answer (Doc. 54). As of today's date, Third-Party Plaintiffs Wacker Neuson Corporation and Wacker Neuson SE have not responded to the motions. Pursuant to **Local Rule 7.1(g)**, the Court considers the failure to respond as admissions of the

merits of the motions.¹ Thus, the Court **GRANTS** the motions. The Court **VACATES** the Entry of Default entered on September 17, 2010 (Doc. 49). Further, the Court **ORDERS** Fontana Contracting Company to file its answer to the Third-Party Complaint instanter.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 18th day of October, 2010.

David R. Herndon 2010.10.18 10:34:10 -05'00'

Chief Judge United States District Court

¹"Failure to file a timely response to a motion may, in the Court's discretion, be considered an admission of the merits of the motion." **Local Rule 7.1(g)**.