UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA HAMMOND DIVISION

| EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION, |) |
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| Plaintiff, |) |
| v. |) Civil Action No. 2:10-CV-319 JVB |
| DOTS, LLC, |) |
| Defendant |) |

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Plaintiff Equal Employment Opportunity

Commission's Motion to Bifurcate Trial [DE 33]. In its motion, Plaintiff seeks to bifurcate the trial in this case into two phases: (1) liability, punitive damages, and injunctive relief; and (2) damages for the class members. Discovery remains ongoing in this case. Therefore, Plaintiff's motion is premature and is DENIED without prejudice.

SO ORDERED on April 21, 2011.

S/ Joseph S. Van Bokkelen
JOSEPH S. VAN BOKKELEN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE