UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

SALES RESOURCE, INC.,)
Plaintiff,)))
VS.)
ALLIANCE FOODS, INC., and MORAN FOODS, INC.,)))
Defendants.)))
HALL SALES AND MARKETING, INC.) Case No. 4:08cv0732 TCM
Plaintiff,)))
VS.)
ALLIANCE FOODS, INC., and MORAN FOODS, INC.,)))
Defendants.)

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the parties' motions to consolidate these two cases. [Docs. 132, 136] The parties agree that these cases should be consolidated and that one judge should preside over both cases, but disagree on whether there should be one or two trials.¹

After reviewing the parties' pleadings and hearing their oral arguments, the Court grants, in part, the motions to consolidate, but reserves for a later time the decision whether to consolidate the cases for trial. Specifically, the motions are granted insofar as <u>Hall Sales and Marketing, Inc., v.</u> <u>Alliance Foods, Inc., No. 4:09cv0666 MLM</u>, is consolidated with <u>Sales Resource, Inc. v. Alliance</u>

¹Also, the parties consent to the assignment of the consolidated cases to the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c).

<u>Foods, Inc.</u>, No. 4:08cv0732 TCM. All pleadings in both cases are to be filed in Case No. 4:08cv0732 TCM. <u>See</u> E.D. Mo. L.R. 4.03. One schedule shall govern both cases for all purposes up to trial.

SO ORDERED.

/s/Thomas C. Mummert, III THOMAS C. MUMMERT, III UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dated this 16th day of June, 2009.