IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION



AMERICAN RELIABLE INSURANCE COMPANY,

CV 17-158-M-DWM

Plaintiff,

vs.

GENE S. RIDER, KATHRYN HARRIS, and LYNN HARRIS,

Defendants.

ORDER

Plaintiff American Reliable Insurance Company requests a stay in this matter until the underlying action is resolved. (Doc. 9.) However, American does not explain why a stay is merited, and the bald statement that the parties agree a stay is appropriate in light of the First Amended Counterclaim filed in the underlying action does not alone provide "good cause for delay." Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(2). Nor does that conclusion take into account the duty the parties share "to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination" of this matter. Fed. R. Civ. P. 1. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion (Doc. 9) is DENIED subject to renewal upon reasonable explanation of good cause for a stay. DATED this day of February, 2018.

Donald W. Molloy, District Judge United States District Court