





1 and responses thereto.

2 8. Provide the initial settlement proposal that will be presented at the settlement conference  
3 with a justification for any monetary amount. The proposal must include any non-monetary settlement  
4 terms that will be presented.

5 The settlement conference statements shall be received in the chambers of the undersigned  
6 Magistrate Judge, and **not** the assigned District Judge, not later than **February 13, 2015. DO NOT**  
7 **SERVE A COPY ON OPPOSING COUNSEL. DO NOT DELIVER OR MAIL COPIES TO THE**  
8 **CLERK'S OFFICE.**

9 The purpose of the statement is to assist the undersigned Magistrate Judge in preparing for and  
10 conducting the settlement conference. In order to facilitate a meaningful conference, your utmost candor  
11 in responding to all of the above-listed questions is required. **The settlement conference statement**  
12 **will remain confidential.** If this case does not settle, the settlement conference statement will not be  
13 disclosed to the judge who ultimately presides over the trial. Each statement will be securely maintained  
14 in my chambers, and will be destroyed following the conference.

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16 **In addition to the above requirements, the parties and counsel must be substantially**  
17 **prepared to meaningfully participate in the Settlement Conference in good faith.**

18 **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS ORDER**  
19 **WILL SUBJECT THE NON-COMPLIANT PARTY AND/OR COUNSEL TO SANCTIONS**  
20 **UNDER FEDERAL RULE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 16(f).**

21 DATED: January 22, 2015

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25 NANCY J. KOPPE  
26 United States Magistrate Judge  
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