UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

GRICELDA GAMBOA, et al.,

Plaintiff(s),

v.

U.S.A. CYCLING, INC., et al.,

Defendant(s).

2:13-CV-598 JCM (PAL)

ORDER

Presently before the court is s motion for leave to file third-party complaint by defendants U.S.A. Cycling, Inc., USA Cycling Development Foundation, Michael L. Olsen, and MLO Enterprises, LLC. (Doc. #37). Plaintiffs did not file an opposition.

The defendants seek to file a third-party complaint which will assert claims for indemnity and contribution against "Ronald Miller." (Doc. #37).

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 14(a)(1), a defending party may serve a summons and complaint on a non-party who is or may be liable to it for all or part of the claim against it. FED. R. CIV. P. 14(a)(1). However, "the third-party plaintiff must, by motion, obtain the court's leave if it files the third-party complaint more than 14 days after serving its original answer." *Id.* The purpose of this rule is "to promote judicial efficiency by eliminating the necessity for the defendant to bring a separate action against a third individual who may be secondarily or derivatively liable to the defendant for all or part of the plaintiff's original claim." *Southwest Administrators, Inc. v. Rozay's Transfer*, 791 F.2d 769, 777 (9th Cir. 1986). The decision whether to implead a

third-party defendant is at the sound discretion of the trial court. Id. Good cause appearing, and there being no opposition, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that defendants' motion for leave to file third-party complaint (doc. #37) be, and the same hereby is, GRANTED. Defendant shall file the proposed third-party complaint within 14 days of entry of this order. DATED September 10, 2013.

James C. Mahan U.S. District Judge