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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
11 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

12 ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY, an  
13 Illinois corporation  
  
14 **Plaintiff,**  
  
15 vs.  
  
16 BROAN-NUTONE, LLC, a Delaware limited  
liability company; JAKEL MOTORS  
17 INCORPORATED, a Wisconsin corporation;  
JAKEL MOTORS INCORPORATED n/k/a  
18 and/or d/b/a JAKEL INCORPORATED, a  
Wisconsin corporation; JAKEL  
19 INCORPORATED f/k/a JAKEL MOTORS  
INCORPORATED, a Wisconsin corporation;  
20 REGAL-BELOIT CORPORATION, a  
Wisconsin corporation; DOES I through X,  
21 inclusive; and ROE CORPORATIONS I through  
X, inclusive,  
22 **Defendants.**

Case No.: 2:14-cv-01062-JCM-VCF

23 **STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF DISCOVERY DEADLINES**  
24 **(FIRST REQUEST)**

25 Pursuant to Local Rules 6-1 and 26-4, Plaintiff, Allstate Insurance Company (“AllState”),  
26 by and through its attorneys of record, the law firms of Nelson, Levine, de Luca & Hamilton and  
27 Marquis Aurbach Coffing, and Defendants, Broan-Nutone, LLC (“Broan”) and Jakel Motors  
28 Incorporated (“Jakel”), by and through its attorneys of record, the law firm of Cooper Levenson,

1 respectfully submit the following Stipulation and Order for Extension of Discovery Deadlines  
2 (First Request). This Stipulation is being entered in good faith and not for purposes of delay.

3 **I. LOCAL RULE 6-1 COMPLIANCE**

4 The Parties have made no prior requests for an extension of discovery and seek only a  
5 brief, 60-day extension of all deadlines to properly complete discovery. The alleged action  
6 involves allegations of a product defect that requires substantial document production relative to  
7 the design and history of the product from both of the defendants. The responses to the written  
8 requests and the related documentation are necessary for Plaintiff to properly depose the  
9 corporate designees of the defendants and are crucial for Plaintiff's experts to author their  
10 reports.

11 **II. LOCAL RULE 26-4 COMPLIANCE**

12 **A. DISCOVERY COMPLETED.**

13 1. The parties participated in an FRCP Rule 26(f) conference after which  
14 they produced their initial disclosures pursuant to FRCP 26(f).

15 2. Plaintiff has served written discovery and document demands on both  
16 defendants that seek extensive information related to the history and design of the subject  
17 product. Defense counsel has required additional time to obtain such documents from both  
18 parties, as well as to review and ensure that they are responsive to the subject requests. Defense  
19 counsel intends to provide these responses by April 24, 2015. Plaintiff has consented to these  
20 extensions in order to obtain these documents, as well so the parties could work out and execute  
21 a confidentiality agreement to allow for the production of all of documents prior to conducting  
22 depositions of the defendants' corporate designees.

23 3. The Defendants have served interrogatories and document demands, as  
24 well as extensive requests for admissions on Plaintiff. Plaintiff has requested an additional week  
25 to respond to these demands. Plaintiff intends to provide responses by April 24, 2015.

26 4. The parties are in the process of scheduling a series of depositions for  
27 mid-May that will result in the completion of the key fact witness depositions needed in this  
28 case.

1           5. To date, the parties have cooperated with one another and are working  
2 diligently to meet all deadlines.

3           **B. DISCOVERY REMAINING.**

4           The parties agree that the subject litigation is expert intensive. As a result, the document  
5 production and the expert discovery phase are the most crucial aspects of the case. Once  
6 document production is completed on April 24, 2015, the parties can proceed with the key fact  
7 witness depositions that the parties intend to conduct in May. The depositions currently being  
8 requested are the corporate designees of Broan and Jakel, Kelly Von Eberstien (AllState's  
9 insured) and the local fire official. The parties hope to complete these key fact depositions over  
10 the course of several consecutive days.

11           Upon completion of fact witness depositions, which may ultimately include a few more  
12 persons, the remaining discovery will be the production of expert reports and the subsequent  
13 depositions of said experts. The parties will work on scheduling these depositions in the  
14 immediate future in order to avoid any delays.

15           **C. REASONS WHY DISCOVERY WAS NOT COMPLETED, GOOD CAUSE,  
16 AND EXCUSABLE NEGLECT.**

17           This case involves extensive monetary damages. As a result, the parties retained experts  
18 before litigation began and the experts have participated in three separate inspections and/or  
19 destructive testings (both pre and post-litigation) of the fan which Plaintiff alleges caused the  
20 fire. As a result of the expert discovery conducted to date, the Plaintiff has identified extensive  
21 documents that need to be produced before the parties can effectively depose Defendants'  
22 corporate designees and before the experts can reach their final opinions.

23           The extensive discovery requests have caused the Defendants to ask for several  
24 extensions to sufficiently respond. Plaintiff has consented to these extensions as the documents  
25 are crucial for Plaintiff to properly depose the corporate designees of the defendants and for  
26 Plaintiff's experts to author their reports.

27           As result, the Plaintiff has good cause to request this brief extension as it has been  
28 diligently working with the parties to obtain the necessary documents needed to take the next

1 steps in discovery. Moreover, the discovery end date does not expire until July 6, 2015, which  
2 means that the parties have been proactive in seeking this brief extension so that this matter can  
3 progress efficiently.

4 To the extent that the Court deems that the excusable neglect standard must be met in  
5 requesting this extension, as the request comes 20 days prior to the deadline for Plaintiff's expert  
6 disclosures, it is clear that there is (1) no danger of prejudice to anyone as all parties are in  
7 agreement with this request (2) the extension only requests an additional 60 days that should  
8 have no impact on the proceedings (3) the lapse of the 21 day deadline was simply an oversight  
9 that was promptly remedied and a legitimate reason, as well as good cause, to extend discovery  
10 has been set forth above and (4) to date, the parties have acted in good faith throughout the  
11 course of the discovery process. See Bateman v. U.S. Postal Serv., 231 F.3d 1220, 1223–24 (9th  
12 Cir.2000) (citing four factors in determining whether neglect is excusable: (1) the danger of  
13 prejudice to the opposing party; (2) the length of the delay and its potential impact on the  
14 proceedings; (3) the reason for the delay; and (4) whether the movant acted in good faith).

15 Based on the above, the parties propose the below brief extension.

16 **PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETING ALL REMAINING DISCOVERY.**

17 **1. Discovery Cut-Off**

18 Extended from July 6, 2015 to September 4, 2015.

19 **2. Last Day to File Motions to Amend or Add Parties**

20 Closed.

21 **3. Initial Expert Disclosures**

22 Extended from May 7, 2015 to July 6, 2015.

23 **4. Rebuttal Expert Disclosures**

24 Extended from June 8, 2015 to August 7, 2015.

25 **5. Dispositive Motions**

26 Extended from August 5, 2015 to October 5, 2015.

6. **Joint Pretrial Order**

The deadline to file the Joint Pretrial Order shall be extended from September 8, 2015 to November 9 ~~October 7~~, 2015. If the Parties file dispositive motions, the Joint Pretrial Order will be due 30 days after the Court's entry of its decision on the dispositive motions.

DATED this 17th day of April, 2015. DATED this 17th day of April, 2015.

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IT IS SO ORDERED this 20th day of April, 2015. As modified.

UNITED STATES ~~DISTRICT~~ MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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