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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

NEVADA NEW BUILDS, LLC, Plaintiff, Case No. 2:15-cv-00791-JCM-CWH **ORDER** GREEN TREE SERVICING, LLC, et al., Defendants.

This matter is before the Court on Defendants' unilaterally submitted proposed discovery plan and scheduling order (#11), filed June 15, 2015. Defense counsel indicate that several attempts were made to confer with Plaintiff's counsel pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f), but Plaintiff's counsel has not responded. Local Rule 26-1(d) requires plaintiff's counsel to initiate the Rule 26(f) scheduling conference "within thirty (30) days after the first defendant answers or otherwise appears." It further requires the parties to submit a stipulated discovery plan and scheduling order within fourteen (14) days after the Rule 26(f) conference. The failure to participate in "developing and submitting" a discovery plan is sanctionable conduct. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(f). That there is a pending motion to remand does not operate as a stay of the requirement to participate in a scheduling conference. Neither the Federal Rules nor Local Rules provide for automatic blanket stays of discovery when a potentially dispositive motion is pending. E.g. Tradebay, LLC v. eBay, Inc., 278 F.R.D. 597, 600-01 (D. Nev. 2011) (citation omitted). Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order (#11) is denied.

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IT IS FURTHER that, pursuant to Local Rule 26-1(d), Plaintiff shall initiate the scheduling and conducting of the Rule 26(f) meeting by Friday, June 26, 2015. The parties shall submit a discovery plan and scheduling order by Monday, July 6, 2015.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that failure of either party to participate in developing and submitting a discovery plan may result in sanctions pursuant to Rule 37(f).

DATED: June 18, 2015.

C.W. Hoffman, Jr.) United States Magistrate Judge