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SDM is part of the self-funded Tort Claims Fund, managed by State of Nevada, Office of Attorney

General, Nancy L. Katafias, Tort Claims Manager, is a representative that must be present for all potential settlement discussions. Upon receipt of the Order Scheduling the ENE, Ms. Katafias 3 informed us that she is unable to change her schedule as she has an existing settlement conference 4 that she is unable to cancel. I have conferred with all SDM representatives and Ms. Katafias, and 5 they have the following dates available: Sept 12, 14, 19, 21, 22, and 26, 2016. As such, SDM 6 respectfully requests this Court, for good cause, vacate and reschedule the ENE for any of those 7 forgoing dates. 8 Based on the foregoing, SDM submits good cause exists and requests this Court reschedule 9 the ENE to ensure the presence of key individuals to support the utility and purpose of the ENE 10 session. DATED: <u>JULY 11, 2016</u>. 12 /S/ DEBRA L. PIERUSCHKA DEBRA L. PIERUSCHKA **Assistant General Counsel** Nevada Bar No. 10185 14 UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS 4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Box 451085 15 Las Vegas, Nevada 89154-1085 Telephone: (702) 895-5185 16 Facsimile: (702) 895-5299 Attorneys for Defendant 18 19 20

IT IS ORDERED that the settlement conference currently set for September 15, 2016, is VACATED and CONTINUED to September 21, 2016, at 9:30 a.m., in Chambers, Room 3071.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that confidential settlement statements are due to Chambers, Room 3071, no later than 4:00 p.m., September 14, 2016.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other instructions within the original Order Scheduling ENE (ECF No. 15) still apply.

Dated: July 19, 2016

United States Magistrate Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 11TH day of JULY, 2016, I served the foregoing DEFENDANT'S REQUEST TO VACATE AND RESCHEDULE EARLY NEUTRAL **EVALUATION** via the Court's CM/ECF Filing System, to the following: Daniel Marks, Esq. Christopher L. Marchand, Esq. LAW OFFICE OF DANIEL MARKS 610 South Ninth Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 office@danielmarks.net Attorney for Plaintiff /S/ SHEENA M. CLOW An employee of the Office of General Counsel University of Nevada, Las Vegas