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On April 3, 2018, the Court issued its Order requiring the parties "to file, no later than April 10, 2018 either (1) a joint discovery plan; or (2) a status report explaining why a proposed discovery plan should not be filed at this time." (ECF No. 28.) Plaintiff Thomas W. McNamara in his capacity as court-appointed Monitor (the "Monitor") and Defendants Gary Patten ("Patten") and Pano Advisors, Inc. ("Pano") (collectively, "Defendants" and together with Monitor, the "Parties"), by and through their counsel of record, respectfully submit this Joint Status Report and state as follows:

On February 9, 2018, Defendants filed their Motion to Dismiss. (ECF No. 22.) The Monitor filed his Opposition on March 16, 2018. (ECF No. 26.) Defendants' Reply is due on April 6, 2018. The Parties have been focused on the Motion to Dismiss and apologize to the Court for their failure to submit a stipulated discovery plan in the interim.

The parties respectfully request an extension of time, until April 23, 2018, to comply with the Court's April 3 Order. Defendants' primary counsel, Christopher M. Ferguson, has a previously scheduled and prepaid family vacation to France from April 6, 2018 to April 13, 2018. Additionally, the Monitor's primary counsel, Logan D. Smith, is currently on a family vacation in Hawaii from March 31, 2018 to April 7, 2018.

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1	Defendants are also considering filing a motion to stay discovery while their Motion to	
2	Dismiss is pending. In light of the foregoing, the Parties respectfully request the Court extend	
3	the April 10, 2018 deadline to April 23, 2018 to allow the Parties to either file a stipulated	
4	discovery plan or for the Defendants to file their motion to stay discovery, which the Monitor	
5	will oppose.	
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19		NANCY J. KOPPĖ UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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