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16	Plaintiff,	) ) STIPULATION AND ORDER TO	
17	v.	) EXTEND DISCOVERY AND OTHER ) DEADLINES	
18	NORCOLD, INC., NORCOLD, LLC, THETFORD CORPORATION, THETFORD.	) (Fourth Request)	
19	LLC, CAMPING WORLD OF HENDERSON, CAMPING WORLD, INC.,		
20	CWI, Inc. and DOES 1 through 50, Inclusive,		
20	Defendants.	<u>}</u>	
	TRACI MARX, RAY MARX, ALYSSA	{	
22	DILLARD and SETH DILLARD,		
23	V.		
24	NORCOLD, INC., NORCOLD, LLC, THETFORD CORPORATION, THETFORD	}	
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26	HOLDINGS, INC., CAMPING WORLD, INC., CWI, INC., CAMPING WORLD OF		
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Pursuant to LR 6-1 and LR 26-3, the undersigned parties in the consolidated cases, by and through their respective counsel of record, hereby stipulate and respectfully request that this Court further extend certain deadlines contemplated by Scheduling Order currently in place. In support of this Stipulation and Request, the parties state as follows:

## **Procedural History of the Cases**

1. On November 5, 2021, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company filed its Complaint against Norcold Inc., Thetford Corp., Camping World, Inc. and Camping World of Henderson in the Clark County District Court of the State of Nevada (hereinafter "the Homesite Action").

2. On December 8, 2021, the Court granted Camping World of Henderson's and Camping World, Inc.'s Petition for Removal of the Homesite Action to the United States District Court for the District of Nevada. On December 15, 2021, the named defendants in the Homesite Action filed their Answers to the Complaint under Case No. 2:21-cv-02167-RFB-DJA.

3. On December 14, 2021, Plaintiffs Traci Marx, Raymond Marx, Alyssa Dillard and Seth Dillard ("Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs") filed their Complaint against Norcold, Inc., Thetford Corp., The Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corporation ("DKM"), Camping World Holdings, Inc., Camping World, Inc., CWI, Inc., and Camping World of Henderson (collectively "Camping World Defendants"), in the Clark County District Court of the State of Nevada (hereinafter the "Marx Action").

4. On January 18, 2022, in the Marx Action, the Court granted Norcold, Thetford, and DKM's Petition for Removal to the United States District Court for the District of Nevada. Norcold, Thetford, DKM, and the Camping World Defendants filed their Answers to the Complaint in the Marx Action on January 25, 2022 and January 28, 2022 respectively under Case No. 2:22-cv-00085-JCM-EJY.

5. On February 2, 2022, Plaintiffs in the Marx Action filed a Motion to Remand which is currently pending.

6. On February 10, 2022, Plaintiff in the Homesite Action filed a Notice of Related Case regarding the Marx Action.

7. On February 16, 2022, the parties filed their Amended Joint Rule 26(f) Status Report and Discovery Plan in the Homesite Action. Plaintiff and Defendants in the Homesite Action served their Initial Document and Witness Disclosures.

8. On February 24, 2022, Norcold, Thetford, and DKM filed an Amended Proposed Discovery Plan on behalf of the parties in the Marx Action

9. On March 14, 2022, a hearing was held before the Honorable Elayna J. Youchah in the Marx Action regarding the parties' Amended Proposed Discovery Plan. The Court went through various areas of dispute between the parties, and established the initial scope of discovery in the Marx Action. On May 18, 2022, the Court ordered that the Marx Action, Case No. 2:22-cv00085-JCM-EJY, be consolidated under the Homesite Action, Case No. 2:21-cv-02167-RFB-DJA.

10. All parties engaged in written discovery. The parties met and conferred on the terms of a protective order requested by Defendants; however, despite their best efforts, they were unable to agree on the terms of the protective order. Plaintiffs filed a Joint Motion for Protective Order, to which Norcold, Thetford and DKM filed their Response with alternative proposed protective order (such Response being joined by the Camping World Defendants).

11. On July 26, 2022, Norcold filed a Motion to Compel Discovery Responses from the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs in the consolidated action. On July 26, 2022, Norcold also filed a Motion to Deem Requests for Admission Admitted in the Marx Action.

12. On October 13, 2022, the Court granted Plaintiff Homesite's motion to amend its Complaint to name CWI, Inc. as a defendant in the Homesite Action.

13. On October 20, 2022, the parties in the consolidated actions submitted a letter requesting a status conference pursuant to Local Rule 16-2.

14. On October 28, 2022, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company filed its First Amended Complaint, adding CWI, Inc. as a party.

15. On October 28, 2022, all Defendants filed their answers to the Homesite Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint.

16. On November 8, 2022, the parties filed a Joint Stipulation for Extension of Time, which was granted by the Court on November 9, 2022.

17. On December 19, 2022, the Court held a hearing on Norcold's Motion to Compel Discovery Responses from Plaintiffs and Motion to Deem Requests for Admission Admitted in the Marx Action. The Court ordered that the plaintiffs file an amended complaint naming Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC as defendants in the action and that plaintiffs file responses to Norcold LLC's discovery requests. The Court denied Norcold's motion to deem requests for admission admitted.

18. On January 17, 2023, Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs filed their First Amended Complaint naming additional Camping World Defendants and Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC as defendants. On January 31, 2023, all Defendants filed their answers to Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint.

19. On February 8, 2023, and thereafter, Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs filed their responses to Norcold LLC's discovery requests.

20. On February 28, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company filed its Unopposed Stipulation to File Second Amended Complaint to add Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC as defendants to its action. On March 2, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company's Second Amended Complaint was deemed filed by the Court.

21. On March 2, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company filed a Motion for Leave to File a Third Amended Complaint to add DKM after meet and confer with Defendants Norcold and Thetford where said defendants advised that they opposed Plaintiff's request to amend the complaint to add DKM as a defendant.

22. On March 10, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite served an Amended Rule 30(b)(6) Notice of Deposition of Norcold, Inc. (currently known as Norcold LLC.)

23. On March 13, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company and the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs filed their Joint Motion for Protective Order.

24. On March 16, 2023, Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC filed their answers

to Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company's Second Amended Complaint.

25. On March 16, 2023, Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC filed their response in opposition to Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company's Motion for Leave to File its Third Amended Complaint to add DKM.

26. On March 20, 2023, Plaintiffs Marx/Dillard and Homesite Insurance Company served joint notices of deposition pursuant to FRCP 30(b)(6) on Norcold, Inc. and on CWI, Inc.

27. On March 21, 2023, named defendants Camping World of Henderson, Camping World, Inc. and CWI, Inc. filed their Joint and Separate Answer and Affirmative Defenses to Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint.

28. On or around March 20, 2023, the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs filed their Notice of Intent to Serve Subpoena on Non-Parties to Testify at Deposition of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand.

29. On March 21, 2023, Plaintiffs Marx/Dillard and Homesite served joint notices of deposition pursuant to FRCP 30(b)(6) on Thetford LLC and DKM.

On March 22, 2023, Defendant Norcold served a notice of deposition of Plaintiffs
 Alyssa Dillard, Seth Dillard, Traci Marx, and Ray Marx.

31. On March 22, 2023, Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs served amended and/or supplemental responses to the Camping World entities' written discovery requests, including interrogatories, requests for admission and requests for production.

32. On March 23, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite Insurance Company filed its response in reply to Defendants' opposition to its Motion for Leave to File its Third Amended Complaint.

33. On March 27, 2023, Defendants Norcold LLC, Thetford LLC, and DKM filed their response in opposition to Plaintiffs' Joint Motion for Protective Order.

34. On March 28, 2023, Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC filed their Motion to Quash and for a Protective Order Preventing the Apex Deposition of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand.

35. On March 29, 2023, the Court issued a minute order that Defendants' Motion to Quash and for a Protective Order did not satisfy the meet and confer requirements of the Local Rules and ordered that the parties meet and confer pursuant to Local Rule IA 1-3(f).

36. On March 31, 2023, counsel for Plaintiffs Marx/Dillard and Defendants Norcold and Thetford held a telephonic meet and confer regarding the deposition subpoena of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand. The parties were not able to resolve their discovery dispute. Defendants filed a declaration in support of their Motion to Quash and for Protective Order on March 31, 2023 pursuant to the Court's minute order.

37. On April 4, 2023, the Parties filed a second Joint Stipulation to Extend Discovery Deadlines.

38. On April 6, 2023, the Court issued a minute order that the Joint Stipulation to Extend Discovery Deadlines sought to extend a deadline that had already passed (the deadline to amend pleadings or add parties) and did not cite excusable neglect as required under LR 26-3 and ordered the parties to file their stipulation citing excusable neglect on or before April 13, 2023.

39. The Parties filed their Amended Joint Stipulation to Extend Discovery Deadlines, removing the deadline to amend pleadings or add parties, on April 6, 2023. The Court granted the Amended Stipulation on April 7, 2023.

40. On April 11, 2023, Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs filed their response to Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLCs' Motion to Quash and for a Protective Order Preventing the Apex Deposition of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand.

41. On April 18, 2023, Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC filed their reply to the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs' response to their Motion to Quash and for a Protective Order Preventing the Apex Deposition of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand.

42. On June 15, 2023, the Court issued an order granting Plaintiff Homesite's Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint, granting in part and denying in part Plaintiff Homesite's Joint Motion for Protective Order and granting Defendants Norcold LLC and Thetford LLC's Motion to Quash and for a Protective Order Preventing the Apex Deposition of Christopher Justin Hillenbrand. The Court ordered the Stipulated Protective Order to be filed by July 14, 2023. 43. On June 21, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite filed its Third Amended Complaint and
Demand for Jury Trial, naming The Dyson-Kissner Moran Corporation ("DKM") as a defendant.
44. On July 12, 2023, the Parties filed their Joint Stipulation for Protective Order.
45. On July 12, 2023, Defendant DKM filed its Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff Homesite's
Third Amended Complaint.

46. On July 18, 2023, the Court granted the Joint Stipulation for Protective Order.

47. On July 26, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite filed its response to Defendant DKM's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff Homesite's Third Amended Complaint.

48. On July 27, 2023, the Marx/Dillard plaintiffs served notices of deposition for certain current employees and former employees/officers of defendants Norcold, LLC, Thetford, LLC and DKM – Mary Pouliot, John FitzSimons, Heather Ing and Keith Stickley.

49. On August 2, 2023, DKM filed its Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff Homesite's Third Amended Complaint Pursuant to FRCP 12(b)(6).

50. On August 7, 2023, Plaintiff Homesite filed the Third Stipulation for Extension of Time.

51. On August 9, 2023, the Court granted the Parties' Third Stipulation for Extension of Time.

52. On August 31, 2023, the Plaintiffs disclosed their experts and expert reports.

53. On September 29, 2023, Homesite and the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs served the First Amended Joint Notice of Deposition of the Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corporation Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), First Amended Joint Notice of Deposition of Thetford, LLC, f/k/a Thetford Corporation Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), Second Amended Joint Notice of Deposition of Norcold, LLC, f/k/a Norcold, Inc. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), and Second Amended Joint Notice of Deposition of CWI, Inc. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6).

54. On October 2, 2023, the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs served the First Amended Notice of Deposition of John Fitzsimons, First Amended Notice of Deposition of Keith Stickley, First Amended Notice of Deposition of Heather Ing and First Amended Notice of Deposition of Mary Pouliot.

55. On October 20, 2023, Defendants Thetford LLC and Norcold LLC filed an Emergency Motion for Protective Order regarding the deposition of Mary Pouliot, noticed by the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs.

56. On October 20, 2023, the Court issued a minute order denying the emergency nature of the Defendants' Motion for Protective Order and set a hearing on the Motion for November 29, 2023.

57. On October 23, 2023, Defendant Thetford LLC filed a Motion for Protective Order regarding the deposition of Heather Ing, noticed by the Marx/Dillard Plaintiffs.

58. On October 25, 2023, the Court issued a further minute order that the Motion would also be heard on November 29, 2023. The Court also stayed all discovery until the Court issued its ruling on the pending motions for protective order regarding the depositions of Ms. Pouliot and Ms. Ing.

59. At the November 29, 2023 hearing, the Court granted the Motion for Protective Order regarding the deposition of Mary Pouliot and denied the Motion for Protective Order as to the deposition of Heather Ing.

60. On December 13, 2023, the Court issued a Minute Order setting a Hearing on DKM's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff Homesite's Third Amended Complaint for February 6, 2024. [ECF No. 118].

61. The parties have agreed to mediate this matter with the Hon. Trevor Atkin (Ret.) on February 21, 2024.

# Discovery Remaining

1. The parties continue participating in written discovery. Specifically, the parties are in the process of meeting and conferring regarding supplemental discovery responses that were served by Defendants following the Court's entry of the protective order on July 18, 2023. There are at least five (5) separate sets of written discovery at issue between the parties.

2. The depositions of Plaintiffs Alyssa Dillard and Seth Dillard are currently scheduled to occur on December 21, 2023.

3. The depositions of Plaintiffs Ray Marx and Traci Marx are currently scheduled to occur on January 9, 2024.

4. Resolution of the issues regarding supplemental discovery responses to written discovery described above is a necessary precondition to plaintiffs proceeding with depositions, particularly corporate representative depositions pursuant to FRCP 30(b)(6). As of the date of this application, the parties anticipate potentially taking the following fact depositions:

- Nyda Dell Marx;
- Rule 30(b)(6) deposition of Homesite
- Heather Ing (Thetford, LLC employee);
- Keith Stickley (former Norcold, LLC employee);
- John FitzSimons (former DKM/Thetford/Norcold officer);
- Rule 30(b)(6) depositions of Norcold LLC, Thetford LLC, and DKM;
- Rule 30(b)(6) deposition of CWI, Inc., Camping World of Henderson, Camping World, Inc.
- 5. The parties may take the depositions of any and all other witnesses garnered through discovery.
- 6. The parties have disclosed expert witnesses pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26.
- 7. The parties will take expert depositions.

# Why Remaining Discovery Has Not Yet Been Completed

Good cause exists for the instant request for extension pursuant to Local Rule 26-3. This request for an extension of time is not sought for any improper purpose or for the purpose of delay. Rather, it is sought for the purpose of allowing the parties sufficient time to conduct discovery and adequately prepare for trial. The parties seek additional time as discovery was stayed for over 30 days pending resolution on the Defendants' motions for protective order regarding the depositions of Mary Pouliot and Heather Ing noticed by Plaintiffs. Furthermore,

the litigation outlined above continues to give rise to complex issues and disputes that the parties are attempting to resolve, including a dispute over the scope of the four Rule 30(b)(6) depositions previously noticed by Plaintiffs. For these reasons, the parties jointly seek court intervention to extend the deadlines as set forth below.

In addition, there are motions that remain pending before the Court that are intertwined with the written discovery at issue between the parties, and/or the deposition discovery anticipated by the parties. The motions include the Marx/Dillard plaintiffs' motion to remand based on lack of diversity jurisdiction related to named Defendant Camping World of Henderson, and DKM's motion to dismiss Plaintiff Homesite's Third Amended Complaint, which Plaintiff Homesite opposes.

Due to the pending issues and developments outlined above, the parties have not been able to proceed with pre-trial discovery and depositions at the rate they previously anticipated. Accordingly, the parties request a further modification and extension of fact discovery and other trial related deadlines to allow for the opportunity to resolve the above referenced disputes so that discovery and trial preparation can proceed smoothly for the benefit of all parties.

## **Extension of Modification of the Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order**

Local Rule 26-3 governs modifications or extension of the Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order. Any stipulation or motion to extend or modify that Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order must be made no later than twenty-one (21) days before the expiration of the subject deadline and must comply fully with LR 26-3.

This is the fourth request for extension of time in this matter. The parties respectfully submit that the reasons set forth above constitute compelling reasons for the extension. The following is a list of the current discovery deadlines and parties' proposed extended deadlines:

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Scheduled Event	Current Deadline	New Deadline	
Fact Discovery	Monday January 8, 2024	April 15, 2024	
Expert DiscoveryMonday, January 8, 2024		May 15, 2024	
Mediation Completion Date	Tuesday, February 13, 2024	<i>February 29, 2024</i>	
Dispositive Motions	Tuesday, February 13, 2024	May 30, 2024	
Joint Pretrial Order	<i>To be set pursuant to LR 26-1 (both cases)</i>	To be set pursuant to LR 26-1	
WHEREFORE,	the parties respectfully request th	at this Court extend fact discovery	
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The Court notes that the parties have made substantive changes to the discovery dates, like separating out fact and expert discovery and making the period between the close of fact discovery and the dispositive motions deadline shorter. However, the parties have not explained why they needed to change these times, rather than simply extending all dates by a certain period. The Court will require a more robust explanation for changes to the discovery schedule in the future. Nonetheless, the Court finds good cause to grant the parties' instant stipulation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the parties' stipulation (ECF No. 119) is GRANTED.

DANIEL J. ALBREGTS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DATED: December 20, 2023