

1 deserving of confidentiality. *See Foltz v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, 331 F.3d 1122, 1135 (9th
2 Cir. 2005). Specifically, a party must “articulate compelling reasons supported by specific factual
3 findings that outweigh the general history of access and the public policies favoring disclosure.”
4 *Kamakana, City and County of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1179 (9th Cir. 2006) (internal citations
5 omitted).

6 Here, MetLife has put forth compelling reasons for sealing the requested documents.
7 MetLife has sufficiently alleged that the proposed motion refers to materials that bring attention to
8 MetLife’s confidential internal business deliberations, organization, and capabilities. *See e.g.*,
9 *Microsystems Inc. v. Network Appliance*, 2009 WL 5125817, *9, No. C-08-01641-EDL (N.D. Cal
10 2009) (finding good cause to seal documents that contain confidential business information which
11 could cause harm to the parties if publicly disclosed). Accordingly, MetLife’s motion for leave
12 shall be granted.

13 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that defendant’s motion for leave to file under seal
14 (Doc. #135) is GRANTED.

15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 DATED this 16th day of March, 2010.



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19 LARRY R. HICKS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE