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Honorable Noel L. Hillman United States District Court Federal Building One John F. Gerry Plaza, Room 6020 Camden, NJ 08101

Re: In re Pet Food Products Liability Litigation, 07cv2867 (NLH)(AMD)

Paul Richard v. Menu Foods Income Fund, et al 07-cv-1457(NLH)(AMD)

## Dear Judge Hillman:

As local New Jersey counsel for the Menu Food defendants in the above-captioned matter, we are electronically filing the attached Consent Order, which has been executed by New Jersey counsel for the plaintiffs. This Consent Order acknowledges service of the Summons and Amended Complaint, and extends the time to answer for a period of 60 days from the date of the Order, or as otherwise ordered in the MDL proceeding captioned In Re Pet Food Liability Litigation bearing Docket No. 07-cv-2867. Assuming this Consent Order meets with Your Honor's approval, we ask that you kindly execute and file on the ECF system. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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GHH:kg Enclosure

cc: Bruce D. Greenberg, Esq.

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

PAUL RICHARD and JENNIFER RICHARD, husband and wife,

Plaintiffs,

V.

Civil Action No.: 07-cv-1457 (NLH)

MENU FOODS INCOME FUND, a Canadian open-ended trust, MENU FOODS LIMITED, a Canadian corporation, MENU FOODS HOLDINGS, INC., a Delaware corporation, MENU FOODS, INC., a New Jersey corporation, MENU FOODS MIDWEST CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, MENU FOODS SOUTH DAKOTA, INC., a Delaware corporation, ABC partnerships, XYZ corporations,

Defendants.

**CONSENT ORDER** 

THIS MATTER being jointly opened to the court by Bruce D. Greenberg, Esquire on behalf of Lite DePalma Greenberg & Rivas, LLC, as local counsel for the plaintiffs, and by Gerard H. Hanson, Esquire on behalf of Hill Wallack LLP, as local counsel for the Menu Foods defendants; and the defendants having agreed to accept service of process on behalf of the defendants by acknowledging receipt of the Summons and Amended Class Action Complaint, and the plaintiffs having consented to a 60-day extension of time from the date of this Order for the defendants to file a responsive pleading, or as otherwise ordered in the MDL proceeding; and for good cause being shown:

IT IS on this day of July 2007 hereby ORDERED that the defendants shall file a responsive pleading within 60 days from the date of this Order, or at such other time as ordered

in the MDL proceeding captioned as In Re Pet Food Litigation bearing Docket Number 07-cv-2867.

Noel L. Hillman, Judge United States District Court

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