

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION  
5:17-CV-329-D

ADAN LOPEZ, FRANCISCO MENDEZ, )  
EZEQUIEL ABURTO-HERNANDEZ, )  
ELENA RAFAEL-PERALTA, )  
JOSE PABLO SANDOVAL-MONTALVO, )  
and JOSE JIMENEZ-OLIVAREZ, )  
ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ-MENDEZ, on behalf )  
of themselves and other similarly situated persons, )

Plaintiffs, )

v. )

**ORDER**

HAM FARMS, LLC f/k/a HAM FARMS, INC., )  
HAM PRODUCE, LLC f/k/a HAM PRODUCE )  
COMPANY, INC., ISMAEL PACHECO, )  
PACHECO CONTRACTORS, INC., HUGO )  
MARTINEZ, GUTIERREZ HARVESTING, )  
LLC, ROBERTO TORRES-LOPEZ, 5 G )  
HARVESTING, LLC, RODRIGO GUTIERREZ- )  
TAPIA, SR., and CIRILA GARCIA-PINEDA, )

Defendants. )

On August 21, 2017, plaintiffs moved for substituted service of process upon the Secretary of Labor with respect to defendants Gutierrez Harvesting, LLC and 5 G Harvesting, LLC [D.E. 22]. On August 29, 2017, counsel entered a notice of appearance for these two defendants [D.E. 24]. On September 28, 2017, these two defendants answered the complaint [D.E. 41]. There appears to be no issue concerning proper service of these two defendants. Thus, plaintiffs' motion [D.E. 22] is DENIED without prejudice.

SO ORDERED. This 26 day of January 2018.

  
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JAMES C. DEVER III  
Chief United States District Judge