UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:12-cv-216

| NORMAN RUSSELL, Individually and on |) |
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| Behalf of All Other Persons Similarly Situated, |) |
| |) |
| Plaintiffs, |) ORDER |
| v. |) |
| |) |
| SWISHER HYGIENE, INC., STEVEN R. |) |
| BERRARD, and MICHAEL KIPP, |) |
| |) |
| Defendants. |) |
| |) |

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the Consent Motion to Consolidate Related Cases. For good cause shown, the Motion is GRANTED. The Court orders as follows:

- 1. The matters of *Birch v. Swisher Hygiene, Inc.,* No. 3:12-cv-221-FDW-DCK and *Cohen v. Swisher Hygiene, Inc.,* No. 3:12-cv-256-FDW-DSC are hereby consolidated with the instant matter, *Russel v. Swisher Hygiene, Inc.,* No. 3:12-cv-216-GCM.
- The consolidated matter is hereby assigned to Senior United States District Court Judge Graham C. Mullen because the *Russell* case was the first-filed.
- The consolidated matter is hereby referred to United States Magistrate Judge David C. Keesler.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed: May 18, 2012

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Graham C. Mullen United States District Judge