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5	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
6	EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON	
7	SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.,	NO: 4:17-CV-5040-RMP
8 9	Plaintiff,	ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE
10	V.	ORDER
11	MILTON SESSLER; PACIFIC HIDE & FUR DEPOT, a Montana corporation doing business as Pacific	
12	Steel & Recycling; PACIFIC HIDE & FUR DEPORT, doing business as	
13	Pacific Hide & Fur Depot, a Montana corporation; PACIFIC HIDE & FUR	
14	DEPOT, INC., a Washington corporation,	
15	Defendants.	
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17	BEFORE THE COURT is Plaintiff's Motion Requesting that the Court	
18	Enter Plaintiff's Proposed Protective Order, ECF No. 52. The Court has reviewed	
19	the motion and the record and is fully informed.	
20	Plaintiff seeks a protective order that would cover documents, including	
21	documents that Mr. Sessler emailed to his personal email account, that Plaintiff	
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1 alleges are confidential and contain trade secrets and proprietary information. Based on testimony presented at the evidentiary hearing held on May 24, 2017, the 2 3 Court finds that all the relevant documents that Defendant Sessler retained have 4 since been destroyed or returned to Plaintiff. Although Plaintiff referenced the 5 possibility of other confidential documents arising in the course of discovery, there has been no showing at this juncture that any potentially confidential information 6 7 will be necessary in this matter. Therefore, the Court finds no basis to enter a 8 protective order.

Should the need arise, the Court will allow the parties to seek a protective order at a later date, but such a request must be supported by evidence of the need 10 to protect confidential information that is relevant to this litigation and consistent with Ninth Circuit law. Bare, conclusory assertions will not suffice.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion 13 14 Requesting that the Court Enter Plaintiff's Proposed Protective Order, ECF No. 15 52, is **DENIED** with leave to renew.

16 The District Court Clerk is directed to enter this Order and provide copies to counsel. 17

DATED May 25, 2017.

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s/ Rosanna Malouf Peterson **ROSANNA MALOUF PETERSON** United States District Judge

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