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ORDER

## JOHN F. KEENAN, United States District Judge:

The Court has reviewed the letters submitted by Defendant Merck and the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee ("PSC") regarding the Remand Order of August 29, 2013. The Remand Order is amended as follows:

Unless a settlement has been reached, the Court's first order suggesting remand will be entered on December 2, 2013, with subsequent orders to be entered on the first business day of the month thereafter until the process is complete. In cases that were filed directly in this District and therefore must also be transferred, the following process is ordered:

• The PSC will submit a letter detailing the preferred venue of the plaintiffs no later than three weeks before the Court's suggestion of remand will be entered. For the first batch of cases, the letter is due November 11, 2013. This letter must be consistent with the process set forth in the Remand Order — that is, beginning with the oldest cases plus Sargent v. Merck, 06 Civ. 5086. Any alternative

"particularized venue application" will be considered

separately and the PSC may not present it in a manner that

would delay the remand further should the application be

denied.

• Merck should review the venue suggestions, and must notify

the Magistrate of any objections no later than two weeks

before this Court will enter the suggestion of remand. For

the first batch of cases, these objections will be due by

November 18, 2013.

As before, any disputes relating to venue selection will be

resolved by Magistrate Judge Francis. The portions of the

Remand Order not specifically addressed herein remain in effect.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New Yor

New York, New York October ⋜, 2013

John F. Keenan

United States District Judge