IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOHN HICKS, et al.,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.) CASE NO. 2:09-CV-155-WKW
)
GARY HETZEL, et al.,)
)
Defendants.)

ORDER

Pursuant to the proceedings held in open court at the scheduling conference on June 18, 2009, it is ORDERED as follows:

- (1) Defendants' Motion for Protective Order and/or Discovery Management Plan (Doc. # 36) is DENIED to the extent that Defendants seek bifurcated discovery on the issue of class certification.
- (2) To permit the parties to reevaluate their Rule 26(f) Report (Doc. # 43) in light of the court's ruling denying bifurcated discovery, it is ORDERED that the parties file an Amended Rule 26(f) Report on or before July 2, 2009.
- (3) Defendants' Unopposed Motion to Extend Deadline to Supplement Response in Opposition to Motion for Class Certification (Doc. # 49) is GRANTED. The parties' Amended Rule 26(f) Report should include proposed dates for submission of Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification (Doc. # 16), to include proposed dates for Defendants to file

a supplemental response to Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification and for Plaintiffs' to file a reply in support of their Motion for Class Certification.

DONE this 19th day of June, 2009.

/s/ W. Keith Watkins
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE