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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MERIL LIFE SCIENCES PVT. LTD., et al., Defendants.

Case No. 4:19-cv-06593-HSG (KAW)

ORDER REGARDING 9/21/20 JOINT LETTER RE STAYING OF **DISCOVERY**

Re: Dkt. No. 95

On April 14, 2020, the district court issued a scheduling order containing deadlines through the claim construction hearing. (Dkt. No. 53.) On June 8, 2020, the district court stayed "all deadlines in the scheduling order (Dkt. No. 53) after the August 7, 2020 exchange of damages contentions until after the resolution of the pending motion for summary judgment. (Dkt. No. 71 at 2.)

Now, the parties are seeking clarification of the district court's June 8, 2020 order regarding the scope of the stay. (Joint Letter, Dkt. No. 95.) This request for clarification, however, must be directed to the district court. Accordingly, the undersigned TERMINATES the joint letter and orders the parties to seek clarification directly from Judge Gilliam. If the district court determines that the discovery dispute contained in the joint letter is not subject to the stay in this case, the parties are ordered to meet and confer to resolve the dispute without further court intervention.

The Court's resources are even more limited due to the pandemic, making it especially important that the parties meet and confer in good faith with an eye toward resolution. While, "the parties' apparent inability to agree on essentially anything" has already been recognized by the district court, the undersigned is confident that the parties can resolve these matters on their own

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going forward. (See Dkt. No. 71 at 1:21-22.)
IT IS SO ORDERED.
Dated: September 29, 2020

KANDIS A. WESTMORE
United States Magistrate Judge