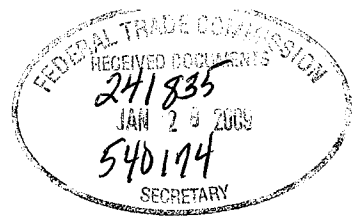


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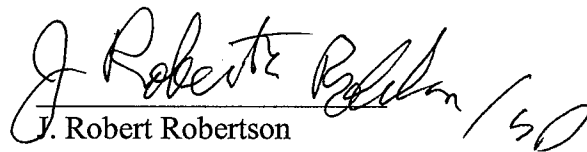
**RESPONSE TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR
LEAVE TO FILE REPLY BRIEF**

Complaint Counsel respectfully opposes Respondent's motion for leave to file a reply brief. Respondent's efforts would add nothing and would delay the court's ruling until next week, complicating planning and encouraging the court to set a later trial date. Whether or not Respondent agrees with Complaint Counsel about the characterizations of the facts in Complaint Counsel's opposition to Respondent's motion for leave to amend the scheduling order, the fact remains that the Court already ruled on this same issue last year when Respondent sought to move the trial date to May 18, 2009. Because of the requirement under Rule 3.51 that an initial decision be filed within one year of the issuance of the complaint, moving the trial date would put undue pressure on the Court and would harm consumers.

Accordingly, Respondent's Motion should be denied.

Dated: January 28, 2009

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