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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOSE HADDOCK,
Plaintiff,
v.
WESTROCK CP, LLC,
Defendant.

Case No.: 1:19-cv-01390-SKO

**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO
MODIFY SCHEDULING ORDER (FRCP
RULE 16)**

(Doc. 17)

On February 8, 2021, the Parties filed a Request to Modify the Scheduling Order (Doc. 17), requesting modification of the scheduling order issued on September 10, 2020. (Doc. 14.) The Parties presented the following good cause in support of their request to modify the scheduling order:

1. After the scheduling order was issued, the Parties were able to conduct limited discovery prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Thereafter, Plaintiff has continued to undergo treatment, and the Parties have encountered significant delay in receiving records from Plaintiff's medical providers, with the facilities advising they cannot produce records due to the pandemic.

2. While the Parties have been diligent in pursuing discovery, they will be unable to complete discovery by the present discovery cut-off of March 1, 2021. As such, the Parties request all discovery and motion dates be continued by approximately four months with the trial date continued according to the court's availability.

Accordingly, in view of such good cause, the Parties joint request to modify the scheduling order (Doc. 17) is GRANTED and the Scheduling Order (Doc. 14) is MODIFIED as follows:

Matter	Current Date	Continued Date
Non-Expert Discovery	March 1, 2021	July 1, 2021
Expert Witness Disclosure	March 2, 2021	July 2, 2021
Rebuttal Expert Witnesses Disclosure	March 9, 2021	July 9, 2021
Expert Witness Discovery	March 22, 2021	July 22, 2021
Non-Dispositive Motion Filing Deadline	March 30, 2021	July 30, 2021
Hearing for Non-Dispositive Motions	April 28, 2021	September 1, 2021 ¹
Dispositive Motion Filing Deadline	March 30, 2021	July 30, 2021
Hearing for Dispositive Motions	May 12, 2021	September 15, 2021 ²
Pretrial Conference	July 14, 2021	December 1, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.
Trial	October 5, 2021	February 1, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 9, 2021

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

¹ As the Parties were previously advised (*see* Doc. 14 at 2), Magistrate Judge Oberto's civil law and motion calendar occurs on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

² The Court notes that the Parties requested August 11, 2021, as the date by which dispositive motions must be heard. (*See* Doc. 17 at 2.) The Court has extended that proposed deadline to comply with the scheduling requirements of Local Rule 230.