

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
VALDOSTA DIVISION**

AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE	:	
COMPANY,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	
	:	
v.	:	CASE NO.: 7:20-cv-00165 (WLS)
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SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT SALES	:	
& SERVICE, INC., <i>et al.</i> ,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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ORDER

On May 3, 2022, the Court extended the discovery deadline to May 13, 2022 for the limited purpose of allowing the Rule 30(b)(6) depositions of ZT Motors and Auto-Owners Insurance Company (“Auto-Owners”) as no objections had been filed to the Parties’ request for the same. (Doc. 47.) The same day, Southern Equipment Sales and Services, Inc. (“SES”) mailed Auto-Owners a Notice to take a Rule 30(b)(6) deposition on May 13, 2022 via Zoom. (Doc. 51-2.) On May 12, 2022, Plaintiff filed two Motions for Protective Order requesting that if the deposition is allowed, that it occur on a mutually agreeable date and that Auto Owners be protected from providing certain confidential and proprietary information. (Docs. 50 & 51.) SES responded on May 13, 2022, arguing that the Parties have agreed to schedule the deposition on an agreeable date although Auto Owners has not yet provided a date. (Doc. 52 at 2.) SES also responds to the other arguments raised by Auto-Owners and asks for a two-week extension of the discovery period to conduct the Rule 30(b)(6) deposition of Auto-Owners’ representative. (Doc. 52.)

The Parties are **ORDERED** to confer immediately regarding their dates of availability for a Rule 30(b)(6) deposition, and Auto Owners shall file a reply brief **no later than Wednesday, May 18, 2022** to SES's response and motion to extend the discovery period by two weeks (Doc. 52).

SO ORDERED, this 16th day of May 2022.

/s/ W. Louis Sands
W. LOUIS SANDS, SR. JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT