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IN RE ALLEGED ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION OF POMPTON LAKES SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY CASE NO. 290

Civil Action

**Applicable To All Pending Cases** 

**ORDER** 

THIS MATTER having been discussed in open Court and the Court having considered the positions of all parties, and for good cause shown and the reasons stated in open court, and the parties having consented to this form of Order;

IT IS on this <u>10</u> day of November, 2011, ORDERED that:



- (1) On or before January 15, 2012, Plaintiffs asserting personal injury claims must provide a general causation expert report establishing that the chemicals they allege caused or contributed to their claimed injury are capable of causing or contributing to the disease, illness, or injury that the plaintiff claims in his or her complaint (general causation).
- (2) On or before April 1, 2012, all plaintiffs as a group must provide a single expert report setting forth their claims for medical monitoring, addressing:

  [a] the significance and extent of exposure to chemicals, [b] the toxicity of the chemicals, [c] the seriousness of the diseases for which individuals are at risk, [d] the relative increase in the chance of onset of disease in those exposed, and [e] the value of early diagnosis, that such surveillance to monitor the effect of exposure to toxic chemicals is reasonable and necessary. Plaintiffs' expert report must describe the specific examinations plaintiffs assert are "medically necessary" as a result of vapor intrusion.
- (3) The December 15, 2011 and April 20, 2012 deadlines set forth in Case Management Order #12 are hereby removed. The parties agree to confer concerning a further discovery schedule and will address this issue with the Court at the December 15, 2011 Case Management Conference.

A true copy of this Order shall be served upon on all counsel of record within seven (7) days of receipt thereof.

HONORABLE BRIAN R. MARTINOTTI, J.S.C.