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IN RE: TASIGNA PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION, BERGEN COUNTY

Master Docket No. BER-L-005018-21

Case No. 635

CIVIL ACTION

[PROPOSED] CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 8

THIS MATTER having been assigned to the Honorable Gregg A. Padovano, J.S.C., pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of April 6, 2021, designating this matter for Multicounty Litigation ("MCL") status, and the Court having received a proposed agenda from counsel for the parties, and having conducted a Case Management Conference on November 2, 2023 whereby the parties provided status updates, and for the reasons set forth on the record and good cause shown,

IT IS on this day of Novemen, 2023, ORDERED:

The Court indicated that it would not rule on plaintiffs' objections to NPC's request for plaintiffs' ESI at this time, while plaintiffs' MDL appeal is pending. If Judge Dalton has not ruled within 60 days of the November 2, 2023 Case Management Conference, the Court is prepared to rule at that time.

The Court will enter proposed CMO 7, which sets forth fact and expert discovery deadlines for the discovery pool cases, as agreed by the parties. The parties reported that depositions are

proceeding in the discovery pool matters and the parties currently anticipate no issues in meeting the agreed schedule set forth in CMO 7.

The Court extended the return date to December 15, 2023 on NPC's motions to dismiss for failure to provide a substantially complete PFS in *Bresette*, No. BER-L-004420-21, *Dumas*, No. BER-L-001418-22, and *Floyd*, No. BER-L-004331-21, so that NPC may assess how to address remaining deficiencies in plaintiffs' Amended PFSes.

Consistent with Case Management Order No. 5, plaintiffs are required to submit regular status reports regarding all MCL cases with deceased individuals seven (7) days prior to each Case Management Conference. At the next Case Management Conference, the Court will address appropriate motions practice if issues remain unresolved.

The Court will conduct the next Case Management Conference on December 18, 2023 at 10:00 AM eastern via Zoom. Counsel for the defense will circulate the Zoom link. Counsel shall submit an agenda for the Case Management Conference seven (7) days prior to the Case Management Conference by email to the MCL clerks.

DATED: _ //- 28 - 2023

Hon. Gregg A. Padovano Judge, Superior Court of New Jersey