

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION**

In re: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC., TIRES)	Master File No. IP 00-9373-C-B/S
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION)	MDL NO. 1373
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THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL ACTIONS)	
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**SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER AMENDING
CERTAIN CASE MANAGEMENT DEADLINES**

In an effort to more uniformly address the issue of expert disclosures, the Magistrate Judge determines that the following deadlines shall apply to the disclosure of experts and their opinions in both the Class Action and Personal Injury and Wrongful Death cases in this MDL action.

- A. For all Class Action and Personal Injury and Wrongful Death cases in this action filed in this Court¹ on or before June 30, 2001, with the exception of those cases arising from foreign accidents that are subject to the defendants' pending Motions to Dismiss on Forum Non Conveniens Grounds, the following deadlines will apply:
1. The parties shall exchange lists identifying expert witnesses and the topics on which they may offer expert testimony on or before January 10, 2002;
 2. The plaintiffs shall serve their expert witness reports by February 11, 2002; the defendants shall serve their expert witness reports by March 13, 2002;
 3. The parties shall exchange lists identifying supplemental experts who will offer expert opinions on topics for which another party has identified an expert, but for which the supplementing party has not yet identified an expert, by February 11, 2002;
 4. The parties' supplemental expert witness reports shall be served by March 13, 2002;
 5. Discovery related to those expert witnesses whose opinions will be relevant to motions for summary judgment shall be completed by **March 28, 2001**; all

¹ The applicable date is the date the file was opened in this court.

remaining discovery related to expert witnesses shall be completed by **May 15, 2001.**

6. The deadlines announced herein specifically supercede the deadlines for expert disclosures contained in the Court's Entry of October 3, 2001 concerning the disclosure of experts in the class cases, and they also specifically supercede paragraph A of the Court's October 26, 2001 Order Amending Certain Case Management Deadlines pertaining to expert disclosures in the personal injury and wrongful death cases. All other deadlines set forth in paragraphs B, C, and D of the October 26, 2001 Order remain in full force and effect and are NOT altered by this Supplemental Order.

B. SUMMARY JUDGMENTS. Paragraph II(E) of the Court's Supplemental Case Management Order dated March 2, 2001 is hereby superceded and the new summary judgment deadline for all cases in these coordinated proceedings shall be as follows:

1. Motions for summary judgment shall be filed by April 1, 2002 and shall be briefed in accordance with Local Rule 56.1. Therefore, responses shall be filed within 30 days of the motions and replies shall be filed within 15 days of the responses.
2. All other dates set forth in the Supplemental Case Management Order are unaffected by this Supplemental Order, unless they have already been specifically modified by separate order of this Court.

Entered this _____ day of November, 2001.

V. Sue Shields
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of Indiana

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