

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

<b>In re: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.,</b>	) <b>Master File No. IP 00-9373-C-B/S</b>
<b>TIRES PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION</b>	) <b>MDL NO. 1373</b>
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<b>THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO</b>	)
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<b>ALLISA BENISHAI, et al.,</b>	)
	)
<b>Plaintiffs,</b>	) <b>Case No. IP 02-5603-C-B/S</b>
	)
<b>vs.</b>	)
	)
<b>FORD MOTOR COMPANY,</b>	)
	)
<b>Defendant.</b>	)

**ENTRY EXTENDING TIME TO RESPOND TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

On December 18, 2002, the magistrate judge entered an Order to Show Cause in this case directing the plaintiffs to show cause, in writing, by January 15, 2003, why defendant Ford Motor Company's pending motion to dismiss should not be granted and this case should not be dismissed. The plaintiffs sent a letter dated January 14, 2003, and received by the court on January 17, 2003, asking for an additional 30 days to respond to the order to show cause, on the ground that they are seeking a new attorney to represent them in this action. The magistrate judge will treat this letter as a motion and, in light of the plaintiffs' pro se status, will forgive its untimeliness and **GRANT** the plaintiffs an extension to **February 14, 2003**, to respond to the order to show cause. The plaintiffs should note that this deadline is for the court's receipt of the response, not the plaintiffs' mailing of it. The plaintiffs also are reminded that **FAILURE TO RESPOND TO THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE BY FEBRUARY 14, 2003, WILL RESULT IN THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE RECOMMENDING THAT THIS CASE BE DISMISSED.**

ENTERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January 2003.

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

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