

**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 ALL )</b>	
<b>ACTIONS )</b>	

**ENTRY FOR APRIL 8, 2003**

The Court has determined that the following information would be useful for administrative purposes and to determine which cases are or will soon be ready to remand to their transferor courts. Accordingly, **by April 17, 2003**, for each case remaining in this MDL, each party shall file a notice setting forth the following:

1. The name of each “core” expert witness<sup>1</sup> whose report the party has adopted and upon whom the party will rely, along with a brief description of the topic(s) about which the expert will testify in the case (e.g. “tire defect”);
2. The name of any “core” expert witness whose report the party has adopted but upon whom the party no longer relies;
3. The name of each “case-specific” expert witness whom the party has named in the case and whose case-specific report the party has served, along with a brief description of the topic(s) about which the expert will testify in the case;
4. For any case in which the deadlines for naming expert witnesses and serving expert reports have not yet passed, a list of all experts (by name, to the extent possible) that the party anticipates using in the case, along with a designation of

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<sup>1</sup>A “core” expert witness is one whose opinion is applicable to multiple cases in this MDL proceeding, because it relates to a group of tires or vehicles, rather than the specific tire(s) or vehicle involved in a particular case.

whether the expert will offer “core” or “case-specific” testimony (or both) and a brief description of the topics about which the expert will testify. Any such expert shall be denoted as “tentative” on the list, and the parties shall not be bound or limited by this tentative list of experts;

5. A statement of whether the plaintiff(s) in the case is in possession of the relevant tire(s) and vehicle(s); and
6. A list of all motions currently pending in the case, including any *Daubert* motion that is applicable to the case, along with a short description of the topic of each motion (e.g. “statute of limitation” or “Pearl missing tire expert opinion”) and a notation whether each motion is fully briefed.

ENTERED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.

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V. Sue Shields  
United States Magistrate Judge  
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