

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

In re: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.,)	Master File No. IP 00-9373-C-B/S
TIRES PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION)	MDL NO. 1373
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THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO)	
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ROBERT SIBLEY, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	Case No. IP 02-5664-C-B/S
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vs.)	
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FORD MOTOR COMPANY, et al.,)	
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Defendants.)	

ENTRY REGARDING FORD'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This cause is before the magistrate judge on the Motion for Extension of Time to Serve Expert Reports filed by defendant Ford Motor Company ("Ford"). In its motion, Ford reports that the plaintiffs have neither served their expert reports nor sought an extension of the April 1, 2003, deadline by which they were to do so. As a result, Ford seeks an extension of time to serve its own expert reports until thirty days after it receives plaintiffs' expert reports. The magistrate judge does not believe such an extension is necessary, however; in light of their inaction to date, the plaintiffs presumably do not intend to serve expert reports. Accordingly, Ford should assume that the plaintiffs will not offer any expert testimony in this case, and shall serve whatever expert reports, if any, it wishes to serve under those circumstances **by June 1, 2003**. In the unlikely event that the plaintiffs seek and are granted leave to serve untimely expert reports in the future, Ford will at that time be granted thirty days to serve its responsive reports.

ENTERED this _____ day of May 2003.

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

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