IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

GORDON HIES,

Plaintiff,

ORDER 05-C-740-S

v.

ACORDIA OF MINNESOTA, INC.,

Defendant.

Defendant's motion for protective order came on to be heard by telephone in the above entitled matter on March 29, 2006, the plaintiff having appeared by Axley Brynelson by Michael J. Modl; defendant by Flynn, Gaskins & Bennett by Steven E. Rau and Robert Vaccaro. Honorable John C. Shabaz, District Judge, presided.

The Court having learned that Acordia, Inc. and Acordia of Minnesota, Inc. are affiliates, said motion as it relates to each must be denied.

Accordingly,

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that defendant's motion for protective order is DENIED and defendant Acordia of Minnesota shall provide answers to interrogatories numbers 2, 3, 4 and 6 as well as request for documents numbers 3, 4 and 6 forthwith

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event discovery is not provided prior to noon Monday, April 3, 2006, the parties shall

appear in court Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. to address those sanctions which may be imposed.

Entered this 29th day of March, 2006.

BY THE COURT:

S/

JOHN C. SHABAZ

District Judge