IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

MAURICE JAMES SJOBLOM, on behalf of himself and a class of employees and/or former employees similarly situated,

ORDER

07-C-451-C

Plaintiff,

v.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, and CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS (CCI), INC. (Fict Name), A/K/A CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Corp Name),

Defendants.

On January 4, 2008, this court held a telephonic hearing on defendants' motion for protection from the Rule 30(b)(6) deposition scheduled to begin January 7, 2008. Both sides were represented by counsel.

Although we discussed other related discovery issues, the bottom line is this: I granted the motion for protection. The parties are to meet and confer on the manner and timing by which the 30(b)(6) deposition will occur. They should promptly notify the court of any insoluble disagreements so that we can keep this case moving. If plaintiffs feel that some 30(b)(6) evidence must be obtained to support their request for conditional class certification and in support of their second amended complaint, they may seek leave of court

to obtain such a deposition before their submission deadline. (If Charter agrees to such a deposition, no leave of court is required.)

Next, the deadlines set by Judge Crabb for submissions on conditional certification of the class and the second amended complaint are extended. Plaintiffs may have until January 31, 2008 within which to file and serve all submissions on these topics. Defendants may have until February 11, 2008 within which to file and serve their complete response.

Each side will bear its own costs on this motion.

Entered this 4th day of January, 2008.

BY THE COURT: /s/ STEPHEN L. CROCKER Magistrate Judge