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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

ORDER

Plaintiff,

03-C-74-C

v.

PETER THORSON, MANAGED INVESTMENTS INCORPORATED, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT INC., and GERKE EXCAVATING, INC.,

Defendants.

and

ACUITY, A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Intervening Defendant.

Defendant Gerke Excavating, Inc., has moved for leave to file an untimely response to Acuity's proposed findings of fact. Defendant Gerke says that it never received copies of this court's procedures for the filing of summary judgment motions. This is not a compelling reason for an extension of time, given the fact that the magistrate judge's preliminary pretrial order makes reference to the procedures. Had counsel for defendant Gerke read the order carefully, he would have noticed that there should have been procedures attached to the

order and made inquiry of the clerk of court.

Although defendant Acuity objects to any extension, the fact that defendant has

submitted his responses to the proposed findings of fact together with his motion means that

granting this defendant extra time to file his responses will not slow down the disposition

of the case. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that defendant Gerke Excavating, Inc.'s motion

to file untimely responses to Acuity's proposed findings of fact is GRANTED. The responses

are deemed filed as of the date of this order.

Entered this 20th day of November, 2003.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB

District Judge

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