

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

FIREMAN'S FUND MCGEE MARINE
UNDERWRITERS a/a/o
HARTUNG BROTHERS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

A & B WELDING & MFG., INC.,
TYCO VALVES & CONTROLS, INC.,
KEYSTONE VALVES USA, INC.
and FARMCHEM CORPORATION,

Defendants.

ORDER

04-C-576-C

A scheduling conference was held by telephone in this case on February 3, 2005, before United States District Judge Barbara B. Crabb. William Mullin appeared on behalf of plaintiff. Virginia Newcomb represented A & B Welding. Matt Jennings and Robert Wixson represented Tyco Valves & Controls, Inc. and Keystone Valves USA, Inc. Mark A. Fonken represented Farmchem Corporation.

Before the court were plaintiff's motion for an extension of the discovery deadline for 45 days and a motion by defendants Tyco Valves & Controls and Farmchem Corporation to modify the court's briefing schedule. After discussion on both motions, I granted the motion to modify the briefing schedule on the motion to strike. Defendant A & B Welding

will file its responsive brief no later than February 4, 2005, together with its motion to amend its answer. Opposing parties may have until February 11, 2005, in which to file and serve reply briefs and any opposition they have to A & B's motion to amend its answer. A & B may have until February 18, 2005, in which to serve and file a reply brief. Ten days after the court has ruled on the motion to amend, the parties may move to dismiss A & B's crossclaims, assuming that the motion to amend is granted. A & B may have 21 days after the dispositive motion has been filed in which to serve and file a responsive brief and the opposing parties may have 10 days in which to serve and file a reply brief.

It makes sense to continue the trial date to the week of May 16, 2005, in order to accommodate the parties' desire to stay discovery for a short period of time pending a ruling on the motions that are now being briefed. The final pretrial conference will be held on May 12, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Final pretrial submissions are due on May 8, 2005. The parties' motion for an extension of discovery is granted. The parties may have until May 5, 2005, in which to conduct discovery.

The parties agreed to meet and decide upon a delay in a stay of discovery pending rulings on the motions.

Entered this 3rd day of February, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB
District Judge