

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

IN RE: ST. JUDE MEDICAL, INC.,                   :           MDL Docket No. 1396  
SILZONE HEART VALVES PRODUCTS        :           :  
LIABILITY LITIGATION                        :           :

**PRE-TRIAL ORDER NO. 10**

On February 25, 2002, the Court conducted a telephonic conference regarding Defendants' Response to Plaintiffs' First Set of Interrogatories Regarding Class Action Issues. Steven E. Angstreich, James T. Capretz, Joe D. Jacobson and J. Gordon Rudd, Jr. appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs. Steven M. Kohn, David E. Stanley and James C. Martin appeared on behalf of Defendants. Based upon the Court record and the arguments of counsel, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Plaintiffs' motion to compel Defendants to respond fully to Plaintiffs' First Set of Interrogatories Regarding Class Action Issues, Nos. 1-10, is GRANTED.
2. On or before March 8, 2002, Defendants shall provide all facts known to them in response to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories, Nos. 1-8.
3. On or before March 8, 2002, Defendants shall specifically identify by Bates number documents known to them which support their Answers to Interrogatories, Nos. 1-8.
4. On or before March 8, 2002, Defendants shall disclose any lay or expert witnesses they have presently identified to give testimony in opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification. To the extent no such witnesses have been identified, Defendants' obligation to disclose these witnesses is continuing and the identity of the witnesses must be disclosed immediately upon Defendants' selection. This requirement applies to the Plaintiffs' disclosure of any lay or expert witnesses upon whom they intend to rely in support of their Motion for Class Certification.

5. The Court will consider requests for additional certification discovery after March 8, 2002, should the parties make such a request to the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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The Honorable John R. Tunheim

ENTERED: March 1, 2002