IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: AVANDIA MARKETING, SALES PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY

LITIGATION

MDL No. 1871 07-md-01871

THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO: ALL ACTIONS

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 51

AND NOW, this 3rd day of March 2009, after a telephonic status conference with representative counsel for all parties held on February 27, 2009, it is hereby **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The next status conference in this litigation will be held on **Friday, April 17, 2009, at 9:30 AM**, in Courtroom 12A of the United States Courthouse, 601

 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106. Seven days prior to the status conference the parties, through Liaison Counsel, shall submit a Joint Report outlining proposed agenda items and including a short statement of the issues involved and the positions of the parties with respect to each item. As a general rule, the parties will not seek Court intervention at a status conference with regard to any issues not presented in the Joint Report submitted in advance of the conference.
- 2. Also on **Friday, April 17, 2009,** in Courtroom 12A at **11:00 AM**, the parties will present **oral argument** on pending Remand Motions that have been filed and fully briefed in this Court. On or before **Friday, April 3, 2009,** the parties shall **REPORT** to the Court as to which Motions will be argued at the

hearing, and by whom. The parties may make such report via joint letter.

Also by **Friday**, **April 3**, **2009**, relevant Plaintiff(s) shall **FILE A MOTION TO WITHDRAW** any pending Remand Motion which will not be pressed further.

It is so **ORDERED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Cynthia M. Rufe

CYNTHIA M. RUFE, J.