UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

: MDL NO. 1657

IN RE: VIOXX :

PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION : SECTION: L

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JUDGE FALLON

MAG. JUDGE KNOWLES

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THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL CASES

PRETRIAL ORDER #5

The Court has appointed the following persons to serve as Liaison Counsel in this matter:

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IT IS ORDERED that all counsel within 5 days of receipt of this order shall provide to the appropriate Liaison Counsel updated contact information to be used for service. Henceforth, service of all papers by the Court will be made on Liaison Counsel only. It shall then be the responsibility of Liaison Counsel to serve said papers on each of the attorneys or parties with whom that Liaison Counsel is affiliated. Accordingly, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Paragraph 6 of Pretrial Order #1 regarding SERVICE is hereby AMENDED to reflect this change.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all pretrial orders be posted on the Court's website for

MDL No. 1657 located at http://vioxx.laed.uscourts.gov. These orders apply to all cases

presently filed as well as all subsequently filed, transferred, or removed cases. Counsel shall

access these orders from the website. Counsel unable to access the Court's website for MDL No.

1657 shall contact the Clerk of Court or Liaison Counsel for information on obtaining copies of

past pretrial orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Paragraph 10 of Pretrial Order #1 regarding

DOCKETING is hereby AMENDED to read as follows:

DOCKETING---When an action that properly belongs as a part of <u>In Re: VIOXX</u>

<u>Products Liability Litigation</u> is hereinafter filed in the Eastern District of Louisiana or transferred

here from another court, the Clerk of this Court shall:

a. Place a copy of this Order (Pretrial Order #5) in the separate file for such

action;

b. Make an appropriate entry on the master docket sheet;

c. Mail to all counsel in the newly filed or transferred case a copy of this

Order.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 8th day of March, 2005.

/s/ Eldon E. Fallon

ELDON E. FALLON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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