UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT

GROCERY MANUFACTURERS)
ASSOCIATION, et al.,)
Plaintiffs,)))
v.)
) Case No. 5:14-cv-00117-CR
WILLIAM H. SORRELL, in his official capacity))
as the Attorney General of Vermont, et al.,)
)
Defendants,)
and)
)
VERMONT PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH)
GROUP and CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY,)
)
Proposed Intervenor-Defendants.)

<u>VERMONT PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP AND CENTER FOR FOOD</u> <u>SAFETY'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE MOTION TO JOIN DEFENDANTS'</u> <u>MOTION TO DISMISS</u>

The Vermont Public Interest Research Group and the Center for Food Safety

("Movants") hereby move for leave to file a Motion to Join Defendants' Motion to Dismiss (Doc. 24).

MEMORANDUM OF LAW

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7(b) and Local Rule 7, Movants seek leave from the Court to file the attached Motion to Join. Because Movants hope to participate in this case going forward, it is important that Movants be allowed to reserve the ability to participate in the Motion to Dismiss phase of this case (e.g., Reply briefing), which Movants request by filing the attached Motion to Join.

Therefore, Movants respectfully request that the Court grant this Motion for Leave to File the attached Motion to Join.

DATED: August 28, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

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LOCAL RULE 7(A)(7) CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that Movants made good faith efforts to obtain the parties' agreement to this motion for leave. Defendants consent to this motion. Plaintiffs do not consent to this motion.¹

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¹ Plaintiffs were willing to consent upon conditions that were unacceptable to Movants. Plaintiffs would consent if: 1) Proposed Intervenor-Defendants receive intervenor status and 2) Proposed Intervenor-Defendants agree not to file additional papers on the motion to dismiss.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on August 28, 2014, I electronically filed with the Clerk of Court the

following document:

<u>Vermont Public Interest Research Group and Center for Food Safety's Motion for Leave</u> to File Motion to Join Defendants' Motion to Dismiss

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