UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

In re: STRYKER REJUVENATE AND ABGII HIP IMPLANT PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

AMENDED PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 7

MDL No. 13-2441 (DWF/FLN)

This Document Relates to All Actions

AMENDING DIRECTION OF SERVICE OF PLAINTIFFS' SUMMONS AND COMPLAINTS

On December 19, 2013, the Court entered Pretrial Order No. 7 (Doc. No 142), which directed the party and manner by which service of plaintiffs' Summons and Complaint were to be served upon Defendants. Defendants now seek to amend Pretrial Order No. 7 for the limited purpose of directing service upon Defendants' Lead Counsel, as identified in Amended Pretrial Order No. 5 (Doc. No. 820), and the e-mail addresses designated for electronic service. Based thereon, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- 1. Plaintiffs may serve Defendants Howmedica Osteonics Corp ("HOC"),
 Stryker Corporation and/or Stryker Sales Corporation by electronically serving a
 properly executed Summons and filed Complaint upon counsel for Defendants, Gibbons
 P.C., *via* e-mail as follows:
 - a. For service on Defendant HOC, Plaintiffs must e-mail required documents to **REJABG_HOCMDLeservice@gibbonslaw.com.**

b. For service on Defendant Stryker Corporation, Plaintiffs must e-mail required documents to

REJABG_SYKMDLeservice@gibbonslaw.com.

c. For service on Defendant Stryker Sales Corporation,
 Plaintiffs must e-mail required documents to

$REJABG_SYKS ales MDLe service @\ gibbons law.com.$

- 2. In order for service to be effective, each individual defendant must be separately served *via* e-mail with the appropriate Summons and Complaint sent to the specific designated e-mail addresses listed above.
- 3. The Gibbons P.C. mail system will generate an automated response to the sender upon receipt of an e-mail to these designated addresses. This automated response will confirm receipt of the e-mail, and shall constitute proof of service only as to any one or more of the defendants upon which Plaintiffs have served the required documents to the appropriate e-mail addresses. The automatic receipt of the Plaintiffs' e-mails shall not constitute proof of service or acceptance of service as to any defendant in the event Plaintiffs have failed to deliver the required documents to the appropriate e-mail address for the particular defendant.
- 4. Defendants will not otherwise respond to the above-described e-mails and/or any inquiries or requests for confirmation of receipt. Specific questions or issues should be directed to Defendant's Lead Counsel, to the attention of Kim M. Catullo (kcatullo@gibbonslaw.com) at Gibbons P.C. with copy to Cindy Gugg (cgugg@gibbonslaw.com).

5. Plaintiffs shall make proof of electronic service to the Court as required by Rule 4(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

6. Acceptance of electronic service shall not constitute a waiver of any objection to personal jurisdiction or venue.

Dated: June 16, 2017 <u>s/Donovan W. Frank</u>

DONOVAN W. FRANK United States District Judge