

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
WESTERN DIVISION**

SAMUEL K. LIPARI,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	No. 07-0849-CV-W-FJG
)	
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

ORDER

Currently pending before the Court is defendants' Motion for an Extension of Time for Filing Response to Amended Complaint (Doc. # 9) and defendants' Motion to Withdraw the Appearance of Leonard L. Wagner (Doc. # 10).

On November 9, 2007, defendants GE Electric Company, General Electric Capital Business Asset Funding Corporation and GE Transportation Systems Global Signaling LLC ("GE Defendants") filed a Notice of Removal in this Court. The GE Defendants were removing the case: Samuel K. Lipari v. General Electric Company et al., Case No. 0616-CV-07421 from the Jackson County Circuit Court. Plaintiff sought leave from the Circuit Court to file an Amended Petition which would add new parties and new claims to his current suit. The Circuit Court granted plaintiff's Motion on October 31, 2007. On November 26, 2007, this Court directed plaintiff to file his Amended Complaint in this Court on or before December 7, 2007. Plaintiff filed his Amended Complaint on that date.

Defendants now request an extension of time to respond to the Amended Complaint as it contains new allegations and is quite lengthy. Accordingly, for good

cause shown and with no opposition indicated, defendants' Motion for an Extension of Time to Respond to the Amended Complaint is hereby **GRANTED** (Doc. # 9). The defendants shall have until **January 31, 2008** in which to file their Answer to plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

Defendants have also moved to withdraw the appearance of Leonard L. Wagner on behalf of the GE defendants as Mr. Wagner is no longer with Husch & Eppenberger, LLC. Defendants will continue to be represented by John K. Power and Michael S. Hargens. Accordingly, for good cause shown, the Motion for Leave to Withdraw is hereby **GRANTED** (Doc. # 10).

Date: 1/22/08
Kansas City, Missouri

S/ FERNANDO J. GAITAN, JR.
Fernando J. Gaitan, Jr.
Chief United States District Judge