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January 21, 2013

Hon. Ronald A. Guzman
United States District Court for the
Northern District of Illinois
219 South Dearborn Street, Room 1219
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: *Lawrence E. Jaffe Pension Plan v. Household Int'l, Inc., et al.*

Case No.: 02-CV-5893 (N.D. Ill.)

Special Master's First Status Report to Court

Dear Judge Guzman:

Following is my first Status Report to the Court since my September 21, 2012 appointment as Special Master in the captioned matter.

Status Report: Immediately following the status conference held before the Court on December 18, 2012, the Special Master, and his counsel, Laura Duston of Stenger & Stenger, met and conferred with the plaintiffs' counsel (Michael J. Dowd, Spencer Burkholz and Marvin A. Miller) and defendants' counsel (R. Ryan Stoll and Mark E. Rakoczy). The parties agreed that they would provide the Special Master with lists of claims that would identify (1) the claims the parties agreed were resolved by the Court's prior orders and (2) the claims with outstanding objections that will need to be resolved by the Special Master. The parties are currently assembling these lists and expect to deliver them to the Special Master on January 22, 2013.

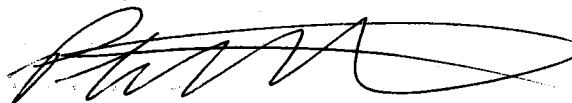
The Parties will meet with the Special Master in Grand Rapids on January 31, 2013 and

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February 1st to review and discuss the lists of agreed upon and disputed claims. I will provide the Court with a status report following that meeting.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Stenger', written over a horizontal line.

Phillip S. Stenger, Special Master

c: Michael J. Dowd
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