

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, <i>ex rel.</i>)	
BIJAN OUGHATIYAN,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	No. 09 CV 5418
)	
v.)	Judge Joan H. Lefkow
)	
IPC THE HOSPITALIST COMPANY, INC., a)	
California corporation;)	
)	
Defendant.)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Following the December 20, 2016 status conference, the Court directed the parties to file a joint status report in the event that a stipulation of dismissal was not filed before January 18, 2017. The parties are not yet prepared to file a stipulation of dismissal. Accordingly, Plaintiff the United States of America (the “United States”), Bijan Oughatiyan (“Relator”) and Defendant IPC Healthcare, Inc. (“IPC”)¹ respectfully submit this Joint Status Report.

The parties today have completed negotiations on the federal Settlement Agreement, which the parties anticipate will allow negotiations to be concluded this week between IPC and the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Office of Inspector General on the related Corporate Integrity Agreement (“CIA”). The United States is preparing execution copies of the federal Settlement Agreement and the CIA for delivery to IPC for final review, approval and signature. IPC anticipates that this process will take approximately five working days after receipt of the final documents. IPC and counsel for Relator previously had reached agreement as to the settlement of Relator’s attorneys’ costs and fees and have prepared a Relator’s Settlement

¹ IPC formerly was known as IPC The Hospitalist Company, Inc.

Agreement that is ready for execution at the same time as the federal Settlement Agreement and the CIA.

The parties respectively request that the status hearing scheduled for January 18, 2017 be continued to January 31, 2017, and that if a joint stipulation of dismissal is not filed before then, the Parties will file an updated joint status report.

Dated: January 17, 2017

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