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HANNAH L. BLUMENSTIEL
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re:	) Case No. 24-10545 HLB
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LEFEVER MATTSON,	) Chapter 11
	)
Debtor.	)
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ORDER REGARDING DISCOVERY DISPUTE

On August 24, 2026, the court received correspondence from counsel for Mr. Michael Goldberg, Plan Recovery Trustee (the "Aug. 24 Letter"). Mr. Goldberg requests the court's assistance with a discovery dispute that has arisen between him and claimant Siroos Saifi, and asks for an order compelling Mr. Saifi to supplement his production of material in response to requests for production of documents propounded by Mr. Goldberg on or about July 7, 2026. After reviewing the Aug. 24 Letter, the court advised counsel for Mr. Saifi that any response should be submitted no later than August 31, 2026. The court has not received a response from Mr. Saifi's counsel.

This discovery dispute arises from an Objection[1] to Mr. Saifi's proof of claim[2] filed by LeFever Mattson and its affiliated debtors (the "LFM Debtors"). The LFM Debtors noticed the Objection for hearing on February 11, 2026.[3] The NOH set January 28, 2026, as the deadline for Mr. Saifi to respond to the Objection. Mr. Saifi did not timely respond to the Objection.

Following the February 11, 2026, hearing, the court issued an order[4] that required the LFM Debtors to file a supplemental declaration in support of the Objection no later than February 18, 2026, and required Mr. Saifi to file a response no later than February 27, 2026. Both parties timely complied.[5] The Feb. 13 Order continued the hearing on the Objection to February 27, 2026.

Following the February 27 continued hearing, the court issued an order[6] requiring Mr. Saifi's counsel to file a supplemental declaration no later than March 13, 2026, and set a deadline of March 20, 2026, for the LFM Debtors to respond. Both

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[1] Dkt. 3081 (the "Objection"), as supported by the Declaration of Bradley D. Sharp (Dkt. 3082).

[2] Proof of Claim 1-1, filed October 28, 2024, in the bankruptcy case filed by Beach Pine LP, Ch. 11 Case No. 24-10490 (the "Claim"). Without explanation, the Aug. 24 Letter and the Objection refer to the Claim as "Proof of Claim 68."

[3] Dkt. 3083 (the "NOH"). The court could not find in its record a certificate of service for the Objection or the NOH.

[4] Dkt. 3687 (the "Feb. 13 Order").

[5] Dkt. 3697 (Supplemental Declaration of Bradley D. Sharp), Dkt. 3728 (Brief of Siroos Saifi) and Dkt. 3729 (Declaration of Siroos Saifi).

[6] Dkt. 3895 (the "Mar. 4 Order").

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parties timely complied.[7] The Mar. 4 Order continued the hearing on the Objection to April 8, 2026.

Following the April 8 continued hearing, the court issued an order[8] that sustained the Objection as to Mr. Saifi's claim for damages arising from breach of lease and infliction of emotional distress. As to Mr. Saifi's claim for damages arising from fraud, the Apr. 11 Order found that Mr. Saifi had "presented sufficient evidence to proceed with his fraud cause of action and the Claim Objection as to this cause of action will continue as a contested matter." The Apr. 11 Order required the LFM Debtors and Mr. Saifi to exchange initial disclosures by May 13, 2026, and to complete discovery by August 6, 2026. The Apr. 11 Order stated: "Any discovery dispute letter must be filed and served no later than 5 days after close of discovery." The court continued the hearing on the Objection to August 14, 2026.[9]

Given that Apr. 11 Order set a deadline of August 12, 2026, to submit an informal request for assistance with a discovery dispute, the Aug. 24 Letter is untimely. Accordingly, the court hereby **DENIES** Mr. Goldberg's request for an order compelling Mr. Saifi to supplement his production of documents.

****END OF ORDER****

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[7] Dkt. 3963 (Supplemental Declaration of Siroos Saifi) and Dkt. 4013 (LFM Debtors' Response).

[8] Dkt. 4187 (the "Apr. 11 Order").

[9] That hearing date was vacated upon the retirement of former presiding judge Charles Novack on May 15, 2026 and has not been rescheduled.

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