

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

IN RE:

HURRICANE SANDY WYO
CARRIER FLOOD LITIGATION

Master Docket

Misc. No. 15-800 (JBS)

**ORDER ENLARGING
L. Civ. R. 41.1(b) PERIOD
FOR REOPENING CERTAIN CASES
REPORTED AS SETTLED**

In the above litigation, Orders were entered on June 9, 2015 [Docket Items 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20], dismissing certain enumerated cases as having been reported settled, without prejudice to a party's right to reopen such a case if settlement is not consummated within sixty (60) days of the entry of the June 9th Orders, pursuant to Local Civil Rule 41.1(b). The Hurricane Sandy Litigation Committee [HSLC] has received reports that the 60-day period has not been sufficient in many Sandy Flood cases and the HSLC has recommended that this period be enlarged across the board for those cases by sixty (60) days, for a total of 120 days to reopen the hundreds of cases in the WYO Carrier Flood Litigation that were dismissed by the June 9th Orders. This extension does not apply to the WYO Flood cases that were dismissed as settled in subsequent Orders of the Court, such as the Order of July 14, 2015 [Docket Item 27] and the Order of July 23, 2015 [Docket Item 29] because those cases were closed with a 120-day period for reopening already. The Court's intention is for each Sandy WYO Flood case that is reported settled to have


one period of 120 days in which to consummate the settlement or seek to reopen the docket for further proceedings.

Also, if there are instances where an individual judge has recently dismissed a Sandy WYO Flood case under L. Civ. R. 41.1(b) with a 60-day period to reopen, and if that period has not yet expired, that period to reopen will be enlarged by 60 days, to a total of 120 days, from the entry of the original Order dismissing it under L. Civ. R. 41.1(b).

WHEREFORE, IT IS, this 13th day of **August, 2015**, hereby **ORDERED** that, in all Sandy WYO Flood cases that were reported settled and closed under the 60-day reopening period of L. Civ. R. 41.1(b), the period to reopen is extended by 60 days, to a total of 120 days, from the date of entry of such dismissal order; and it is further

ORDERED that any application to reopen a Sandy WYO Flood case shall be made to the judicial officer to whom the case is assigned.

FOR THE COURT:


JEROME B. SIMANDLE,
Chief U.S. District Judge