

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 08-80736-CIV-MARRA/JOHNSON

JANE DOES #1 and #2,

Petitioners,

vs.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION**

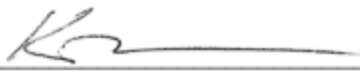
THIS CAUSE is before the Court following Petitioners' Notice in Response to Administrative Order Closing Case. (DE 39). Petitioners' filed their Notice after the Court's September 9, 2010, which closed this case in light of related settlements and a lack of activity for nearly seventeen months. (DE 38). Petitioners' Notice states that they intend to make subsequent filings and therefore requests that the Court reopen this matter.

A court has the inherent power to *sua sponte* dismiss a case for lack of prosecution. *See Link v. Wabash R.R. Co.*, 370 U.S. 626, 629-30 (1962). A review of the court record herein reveals that Petitioners have taken no action in this matter, other than the instant Notice indicating their intent to submit future filings, since April 9, 2009.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Petitioners shall file a status report with the Court within fifteen (15) days of the date of entry of this Order and further show cause why the above-styled cause should not be dismissed for want of prosecution.

Failure to comply with this Order shall result in immediate dismissal of the present action.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

  
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KENNETH A. MARRA  
United States District Judge

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