UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

LASHAWN JONES, ET AL.

VERSUS

CIVIL ACTION

No. 12-859

c/w 12-138

REF: 12-859

MARLIN GUSMAN, ET AL.

SECTION I

ORDER

Before the Court is a joint statement¹ filed by the putative plaintiff class, the United States of America, and the Sheriff of Orleans Parish, requesting that the Court preliminarily approve the Amended Proposed Consent Judgment and substitute it for the original Proposed Consent Judgment. The Court has reviewed the Amended Proposed Consent Judgment and concludes that the amendments do not alter the original Proposed Consent Judgment's substance or effect in a manner that would require new briefing before the April 1, 2013 fairness hearing or a revised class notice. The Court's reasons for preliminarily approving the original version apply with equal force to the amended version.

IT IS ORDERED that the Amended Proposed Consent Judgment is preliminarily approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Amended Proposed Consent Judgment is substituted for the original Proposed Consent Judgment as the subject of the April 1, 2013 fairness hearing. The Court will consider all previous briefing when evaluating the Amended Proposed Consent Judgment.

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¹ R. Doc. No. 183.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City of New Orleans may file a memorandum addressing the amendments on or before Monday, March 25, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. Any response shall be filed on or before Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.

New Orleans, Louisiana, March 20, 2013.

LANCE M. AFRICK UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE