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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

POLARA ENGINEERING, INC., a California corporation,

Plaintiff.

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CAMPBELL COMPANY, an Idaho corporation,

Defendant.

Case No. SACV 13 - 00007 CJC (JPRx)

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT PERMANENT INJUNCTION AND DAMAGES

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff Polara Engineering, Inc. ("Polara") hereby complains and alleges against Defendant Campbell Company ("Campbell") as follows:

PARTIES

- Plaintiff Polara is a California corporation located at 4115 Artesia Avenue 1. Fullerton, CA 92833.
- 2. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell is an Idaho corporation with a principal place of business at 450 W. McGregor Dr., Boise, ID 83705.

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COMPLAINT

NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 3. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the Patent Laws of the United States 35 U.S.C. §§ 1 *et seq.*, including 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 4. On information and belief, Defendants have infringed and continue to infringe, contribute to the infringement of, and/or actively induce others to infringe Polara's U.S. Patent No. 7,145,476 ("the '476 patent").

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 5. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338.
- 6. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant Campbell because, on information and belief, Campbell does and has done substantial business in this judicial District, including: (i) committing acts of patent infringement and/or contributing to or inducing acts of patent infringement by others in this judicial District and elsewhere in this State; (ii) regularly conducting business in this State and judicial District; (iii) directing advertising to or soliciting business from persons residing in this State and judicial District through at least in-person sales efforts; and (iv) engaging in other persistent courses of conduct, and/or deriving substantial revenue from products and/or services provided to persons in this District and State.
 - 7. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391 and 1400(b).

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 8. Among other things, Plaintiff Polara is the leading manufacturer of accessible pedestrian products, such as accessible pedestrian signals (APS) and ADA compliant pedestrian push buttons.
- 9. Polara has sought protection for its technological innovations, which has resulted in several issued patents, including the asserted '476 patent.

- 10. The '476 Patent issued on December 5, 2006, and is titled "2-wire push button station control system for a traffic light controlled intersection." Polara is the owner by assignment of the '476 Patent.
- 11. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell develops, markets, and/or manufactures a number of products for the traffic industry, including pedestrian accessibility products for pedestrian crosswalks.
- 12. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell operates and maintains a website at http://www.pedsafety.com, where Campbell's products are marketed to consumers worldwide.
- 13. One of Defendants' pedestrian crosswalk products is described and marketed as "Advisor Advanced Accessible Pedestrian Station (AAPS)." The AAPS is an exemplary product that infringes the '476 Patent and is referred to hereafter as the "AAPS."

COUNT ONE

(Infringement of the '476 Patent against Campbell – 35 U.S.C. §§ 271 et seq.)

- 14. Plaintiff reallages and incorporates by reference the above paragraphs of this Complaint, inclusive, as though fully set forth herein.
- 15. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell has had actual knowledge of the '476 Patent. Indeed, on information and belief, Campbell regularly monitors and reviews both Polara's patent filings as well as Polara's commercial products, and has engaged in a pattern of copying those commercial products. And since at least 2007, Polara's commercial embodiment of the '476 patent has been properly marked with the '476 patent in accordance with 35 U.S.C. Sec. 287. Defendant Campbell has thus has actual knowledge and/or constructive notice of the '476 patent since at least 2007.
- 16. On information and belief, the Campbell AAPS is a direct copy of Polara's commercial embodiment of the '476 patent.
- 17. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell has directly infringed and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '476 Patent by developing, making,

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using, offering to sell, selling and/or importing, in this District and elsewhere in the United States, the AAPS.

- 18. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell has contributed to the infringement of and continues to contributorily infringe one or more claims of the '476 Patent by developing, making, using, offering to sell, selling and/or importing, in this District and elsewhere in the United States, the AAPS. In particular, Campbell developed, made, used, offered to sell, sold and/or imported, the AAPS with full knowledge of the '476 patent and its applicability to the AAPS. In addition, the AAPS has no substantial use other than to be installed by Campbell's customers as part of a system that infringes the 476 patent.
- 19. On information and belief, Defendant Campbell has induced infringement of and continues to induce infringement one or more claims of the '476 Patent by developing, making, using, offering to sell, selling and/or importing, in this District and elsewhere in the United States, the AAPS. Among other things, Campbell has – with full knowledge of the '476 patent and its applicability to the AAPS – specifically designed the AAPS to be used in a manner that infringes the '476 patent and has also specifically instructed its customers to install the AAPS in the manner claimed by the '476 patent.
- 20. Defendant Campbell's actions constitute direct infringement, contributory infringement, and/or active inducement of infringement of one or more claims of the '476 Patent in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- Polara has sustained damages and will continue to sustain damages as a result 21. of Defendant Campbell's aforesaid acts of infringement.
- 22. Polara is entitled to recover damages sustained as a result of Defendant Campbell's wrongful acts in an amount to be proven at trial.
- Defendant Campbell's infringement of Polara's rights under the '476 Patent 23. will continue to damage Polara's business, causing irreparable harm, for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless it is enjoined by this Court.

In addition, for at least the reason that – on information and belief – Defendant 24. Campbell directly copied Polara's commercial embodiment of '476 patent having full knowledge of the '476 patent (which patent was properly marked in accordance with 35 U.S.C. Sec. 287), Defendant Campbell has willfully infringed the '476 Patent, entitling Polara to increased damages under 35 U.S.C. § 284 and to attorney fees and costs incurred in prosecuting this action under 35 U.S.C. § 285.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Polara asks this Court to enter judgment in its favor and against Defendant Campbell and grant the following relief:

- A. An adjudication that Defendant Campbell have willfully infringed and continue to infringe the '476 patent.
- Orders of this Court temporarily, preliminarily, and permanently enjoining B. Defendant Campbell, their agents, servants, and any and all parties acting in concert with any of them, from directly or indirectly infringing in any manner any of the claims of the '476 patent pursuant to at least 35 U.S.C. § 283;
- C. An award of damages adequate to compensate Polara for Defendant Campbell's infringement of the '476 patent in an amount to be proven at trial;
- D. A finding that this is an exceptional case and an award of Plaintiff's costs and attorney fees;
 - E. A trebling of the damage award to Plaintiff;
- F. An assessment and award of pre- and post-judgment interest on all damages awarded; and
 - I. Any further relief that this Court deems just and proper.

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Dated: January 2, 2013 **ONE LLP** Nathaniel L. Dilger, Esq., Peter R. Afrasiabi, Esq. Joseph K. Liu Attorneys for Plaintiff, POLARA ENGINEERING, INC. **COMPLAINT**

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury as to all claims and all issues properly triable thereby. Dated: January 2, 2013 **ONE LLP** Nathaniel L. Dilger, Esq. Peter R. Afrasiabi, Esq. Joseph K. Liu Attorneys for Plaintiff, POLARA ENGINEERING, INC. COMPLAINT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

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