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| 16 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | | | | | |
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| | ESCO CORPORATION and ESCO CANADA, LTD. | Case No.: 2:12-cv-01545-RCJ-VCF | | | | |
| 18 | , | Case No.: 2.12-cv-01343-RCJ-VCF | | | | |
| 19 | Plaintiffs, | FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR | | | | |
| 20 | v. | PATENT INFRINGEMENT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL | | | | |
| 21 | CASHMAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY, | | | | | |
| 22 | CATERPILLAR GLOBAL MINING LLC, CATERPILLAR, INC., RAPTOR MINING | | | | | |
| 23 | PRODUCTS (USA) INC., and RAPTOR MINING PRODUCTS INC. | | | | | |
| 24 | Defendants. | | | | | |
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| 25 | Plaintiffs ESCO Corporation ("ESC | O") and ESCO Canada, Ltd. ("ESCO Canada") | | | | |
| 26 | (collectively the "ESCO Parties"), by and through their undersigned counsel, for their Firs | | | | | |
| 27 | Amended Complaint against Defendants | Cashman Equipment Company ("Cashman"), | | | | |
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| 1 | Caterpillar Global Mining LLC (Caterpillar Global"), Caterpillar, Inc. ("Caterpillar"), Rapto | | | |
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| 2 | Mining Products (USA), Inc. ("Raptor USA"), and Raptor Mining Products Inc. ("Raptor" | | | |
| 3 | (collectively "Defendants") ¹ , hereby demand a jury trial and allege as follows: | | | |
| 4 | JURISDICTION AND VENUE | | | |
| 5 | 1. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the patent laws of the | | | |
| 6 | United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., and particularly 35 U.S.C. § 271 et seq. | | | |
| 7 | 2. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this dispute pursuant to 28 U.S.C. | | | |
| 8 | §§ 1331 and 1338(a). | | | |
| 9 | 3. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Caterpillar Defendants because, <i>inter</i> | | | |
| 10 | alia, the Caterpillar Defendants' products, including the LM Series ground engaging tool system | | | |
| 11 | having the CapSure® locking system ("the CapSure® system") and the Mechanically Attached | | | |
| 12 | Wear Plate System ("MAWPS"), have been and are sold in, distributed to and/or shipped into the | | | |
| 13 | State of Nevada, and because upon information and belief Defendants have done and are doing | | | |
| 14 | business in the State of Nevada. | | | |
| 15 | 4. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Raptor Defendants because, <i>inter alia</i> , | | | |
| 16 | the Raptor Defendants' products, including the Predator® system, have been and are sold in, | | | |
| 17 | distributed to and/or shipped into the State of Nevada. Upon information and belief, the Rapto | | | |
| 18 | Defendants have knowingly and intentionally placed their products, including the Predator® | | | |
| 19 | system, into the stream of commerce through established distribution channels expecting them to | | | |
| 20 | be shipped into and purchased by customers in this judicial district. | | | |
| 21 | 5. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b)-(c) and | | | |
| 22 | § 1400(b). | | | |
| 23 | THE PARTIES | | | |
| 24 | 6. ESCO is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of | | | |
| 25 | Oregon and having a principal place of business at 2141 N.W. 25 th Avenue, Portland, Oregon | | | |
| 26 | 97210. | | | |
| 27 | ¹ Cashman, Caterpillar and Caterpillar Global are collectively referred to herein as "Caterpillar Defendants." Raptor | | | |
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USA and Raptor are collectively referred to herein as "Raptor Defendants."

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- 7. ESCO Canada is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Canada and having a principal place of business at 2323 Fourth Street, Nisku, Alberta, Canada, T9E7W7.
- 8. On information and belief, Cashman is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Nevada and having a principal place of business located at 3300 St. Rose Parkway, Henderson, Nevada 89052.
- 9. On information and belief, Caterpillar Global is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware and having a principal place of business located at 1 Bucyrus Way, Oak Creek, Wisconsin 53154.
- 10. On information and belief, Caterpillar is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware and having a principal place of business located at 100 N.E. Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois 61629.
- 11. On information and belief, Raptor USA is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware.
- 12. On information and belief, Raptor is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Canada and having a principal place of business located at 15712 112 Avenue N.W. Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5M 2W1.

BACKGROUND

- 13. ESCO is a leading global developer and manufacturer of highly engineered ground engaging tools, wear parts and replacement products used in resource mining, infrastructure, and industrial applications that are essential to the productivity of ESCO customers' machines. Amongst many other products, ESCO designs, manufactures, and sells ground engaging tools.
- 14. ESCO is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,178,274 ("the '274 patent"), U.S. Patent No. RE43,693 ("the '693 patent"), U.S. Patent No. 8,122,621 ("the '621 patent"), and U.S. Patent No. 5,241,765 ("the '765 patent").
- ESCO Canada is also dedicated to the development and manufacture of highly engineered wear and replacement products used in resource mining, infrastructure, and industrial

applications that are essential to the productivity of ESCO and ESCO Canada's customers' machines.

- 16. ESCO Canada is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,640,684 ("the '684 patent").
- 17. The Caterpillar Defendants manufacture, import, offer to sell, and/or sell the CapSure® system and/or MAWPS for heavy machinery as well as products that incorporate the CapSure® system and/or MAWPS.
- 18. On information and belief, Caterpillar has had knowledge of the '684, '274, '693, '621, and '765 patents.
- 19. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants manufacture, import, offer to sell, and sell the Predator® system for heavy machinery and equipment for various uses.
- 20. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants have had knowledge of at least the '684 patent.
- 21. On information and belief, the structure and operation of the CapSure® system and the Predator® system are the same design. On information and belief, the locking mechanisms utilized in the CapSure® system and the Predator® system are the same design.
- 22. On information and belief, at least Caterpillar and Raptor have been acting in concert with one another with respect to the actions complained of herein.
- 23. On information and belief, Cashman has been and still offers for sale and sells the CapSure® system, the Predator® system, and MAWPS for heavy machinery as well as products that incorporate these systems.

COUNT I – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,640,684

- 24. Paragraphs 1-23 are realleged and reincorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 25. On January 5, 2010, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued the '684 patent entitled "Torque Locking System for Fastening a Wear Member to a Support Structure." ESCO Canada is the owner of the '684 patent by virtue of assignment of

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all rights, title, and interest to the '684 patent, including all rights to recover for all infringements thereof. A true and correct copy of the '684 patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit A.

- 26. On information and belief, the Caterpillar Defendants have been and still are infringing the '684 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '684 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the CapSure® system and its associated products.
- 27. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants and Cashman have been and still are infringing the '684 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '684 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the Predator® system and its associated products.
 - 28. ESCO Canada has been damaged by the Defendants' infringement.
- 29. On information and belief, at least Caterpillar's and the Raptor Defendants' infringement of the '684 patent has been willful.
- 30. The Defendants' acts of infringement have been without express or implied license by ESCO Canada, are in violation of ESCO Canada's rights, and will continue unless enjoined by this Court.
- 31. ESCO Canada has been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by the Defendants' infringement of the '684 patent.

COUNT II – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,178,274

- 32. Paragraphs 1-31 are realleged and reincorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 33. On February 20, 2007, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued the '274 patent entitled "Coupling Arrangement." ESCO is the owner of the '274 patent by virtue of assignment of all rights, title, and interest to the '274 patent, including all

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rights to recover for all infringements thereof. A true and correct copy of the '274 patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit B.

- 34. On information and belief, the Caterpillar Defendants have been and still are infringing the '274 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '274 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the CapSure® system and its associated products.
- 35. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants and Cashman have been and still are infringing the '274 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '274 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the Predator® system and its associated products.
 - 36. ESCO has been damaged by the Defendants' infringement.
- 37. On information and belief, at least Caterpillar's infringement of the '274 patent has been willful.
- 38. The Defendants' acts of infringement have been without express or implied license by ESCO, are in violation of ESCO's rights, and will continue unless enjoined by this Court.
- 39. ESCO has been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by the Defendants' infringement of the '274 patent.

COUNT III – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. RE43,693

- 40. Paragraphs 1-39 are realleged and reincorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 41. On October 2, 2012, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued the '693 patent entitled "Coupling Arrangement." ESCO is the owner of the '693 patent by virtue of assignment of all rights, title, and interest to the '693 patent, including all

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rights to recover for all infringements thereof. A true and correct copy of the '693 patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit C.

- 42. On information and belief, the Caterpillar Defendants have been and still are infringing the '693 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '693 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the CapSure® system and its associated products.
- 43. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants and Cashman have been and still are infringing the '693 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '693 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the Predator® system and its associated products.
 - 44. ESCO has been damaged by the Defendants' infringement.
- 45. On information and belief, at least Caterpillar's infringement of the '693 patent has been willful.
- 46. The Defendants' acts of infringement have been without express or implied license by ESCO, are in violation of ESCO's rights, and will continue unless enjoined by this Court.
- 47. ESCO has been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by the Defendants' infringement of the '693 patent.

COUNT IV – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,122,621

- 48. Paragraphs 1-47 are realleged and reincorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 49. On February 28, 2012, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued the '621 patent entitled "Wear Assembly." ESCO is the owner of the '621 patent by virtue of assignment of all rights, title, and interest to the '621 patent, including all rights to

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- 50. On information and belief, the Caterpillar Defendants have been and still are infringing the '621 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '621 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the CapSure® system and its associated products.
- 51. On information and belief, the Raptor Defendants and Cashman have been and still are infringing the '621 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '621 patent. The past and present infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and/or sales of the Predator® system and its associated products.
 - 52. ESCO has been damaged by the Defendants' infringement.
- 53. On information and belief, at least Caterpillar's infringement of the '621 patent has been willful.
- 54. The Defendants' acts of infringement have been without express or implied license by ESCO, are in violation of ESCO's rights, and will continue unless enjoined by this Court.
- 55. ESCO has been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by the Defendants' infringement of the '621 patent.

COUNT V – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 5,241,765

- 56. Paragraphs 1-55 are realleged and reincorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 57. On September 7, 1993, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued the '765 patent entitled "Lock Assembly for Wearable Structure." ESCO is the owner of the '765 patent by virtue of assignment of all rights, title, and interest to the '765

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patent, including all rights to recover for all infringements thereof. A true and correct copy of the '765 patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit E.

- 58. On information and belief, Caterpillar and Cashman were infringing the '765 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing products that are covered by one or more valid claims of the '765 patent. On information and belief, the past infringing acts include, but are not limited to, manufacturing, importing, offers to sell and sales of MAWPS® its associated products.
 - 59. ESCO has been damaged by Caterpillar's and Cashman's infringement.
- 60. On information and belief, as least Caterpillar's infringement of the '765 patent was willful.
- 61. Caterpillar's and Cashman's acts of infringement were without express or implied license by ESCO and were in violation of ESCO's rights.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

62. The ESCO Parties have been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by Defendants' acts of infringement. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38 and the Seventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America, the ESCO Parties hereby demand a trial by jury on all issues raised in this action that are so triable.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff ESCO Parties pray that this Court award to them the following relief:

- A. A declaration that Defendants have been and are still infringing valid claims of the '684 patent, '274 patent, '693 patent, and '621 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents;
- B. A declaration that Caterpillar and Cashman have infringed valid claims of the '765 patent literally, directly, contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of equivalents;

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| 1 | C. | An injunction pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65 that those |
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| 2 | | subject to the injunction cease and desist from infringing the claims of the |
| 3 | | '684 patent, '274 patent, '693 patent, and '621 patent literally, directly, |
| 4 | | contributorily, by way of inducement, and/or under the doctrine of |
| 5 | | equivalents; |
| 6 | D. | An Order that Defendants notify purchasers and users of the infringing |
| 7 | | products that the products infringe the '684 patent, '274 patent, '693 |
| 8 | | patent, '621 patent, and that Defendants recall all infringing products sold |
| 9 | | or otherwise distributed; |
| 10 | E. | An Order directing Defendants to provide an accounting to determine the |
| 11 | | damages suffered by Plaintiffs as a result of Defendants' infringing |
| 12 | | conduct before it shall cease and desist, such damages of Plaintiffs |
| 13 | | including, but not limited to, their lost profits and no less than a reasonable |
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| 15 | F. | An Order directing Defendants to pay Plaintiffs the amount of damages |
| 15 16 | F. | An Order directing Defendants to pay Plaintiffs the amount of damages that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent |
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| 16 | F. | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent |
| 16 17 | F. G. | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to |
| 16 17 18 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; |
| 16 17 18 19 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' |
| 16 17 18 19 20 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and pre-judgment interest and post- |
| 16 17 18 19 20 21 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest; and |
| 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest; and /// |
| 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest; and /// /// |
| 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 | | that they have sustained as a result of Defendants' acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled for willfulness, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284; That Plaintiffs be awarded their fees and costs, including its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest; and /// /// |

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| 1 | H. | That this Court award Plaint | iffs such other and further relief as the Court |
| 2 | | deems just and proper. | |
| 3 | Dated | this 5 th day of October 2012. | |
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Pursuant to FRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of Watson Rounds, and that on this date a true and correct copy of the foregoing document, FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL, will be served upon counsel of record via electronic mail through the United States District Court's CM/ECF system. DATED October 5, 2012 /s/ Jeff Tillison An Employee of Watson Rounds