UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

MAX BLU TECHNOLOGIES, LLC,	CIVIL ACTION NO
Plaintiff,	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
v.	
MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. and MEDIA MASTERS LLC,	
Defendants	

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL COMPLAINT

Plaintiff MAX BLU TECHNOLOGIES, LLC (hereinafter, "Plaintiff" or "Max Blu"), by and through its undersigned counsel, files this Original Complaint for Patent Infringement against Defendants MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. and MEDIA MASTERS LLC (collectively, "Defendant") as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is a patent infringement action to stop Defendant's infringement of the following patents (collectively, the "Patents-in-Suit"), which were duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter, the "USPTO"), copies of which are attached hereto as **Exhibits A through D**, respectively:

	Patent No.	Title
A.	7,352,685	REVERSE OPTICAL MASTERING FOR DATA
		STORAGE DISK REPLICAS
B.	7,801,016	REVERSE OPTICAL MASTERING FOR DATA
		STORAGE DISK REPLICAS
C.	8,593,931	REPLICA DISK FOR DATA STORAGE
D.	RE44633	REVERSE OPTICAL MASTERING FOR DATA
		STORAGE DISK REPLICAS

- 2. Plaintiff is the owner of the Patents-in-Suit and possesses all right, title and interest in the Patents-in-Suit, including the right to enforce the Patents-in-Suit, the right to license the Patents-in-Suit, and the right to sue Defendant for infringement and recover past damages.
 - 3. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief and monetary damages.

PARTIES

- 4. Max Blu is a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and maintains its principal place of business at 104 East Houston Street, Suite 150, Marshall, Texas, 75670 (Harrison County).
- 5. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of India.
- 6. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. has its headquarters at 43B, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi 110020. India.

7. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, MEDIA MASTERS LLC is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware since August 3, 2009, and may be served through its registered agent, The Corporation Trust Company, located at Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801.

8. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, MEDIA MASTERS LLC has its principal place of business located at 4250 Buckingham Drive, Suite 100, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80907.

9. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, Defendant ships, distributes, makes, uses, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises Blu-rayTM recordable media, including, but not limited to, recordable and re-writable discs in Blu-rayTM format.

10. Based upon information and belief after reviewing public information, MEDIA MASTERS LLC is the distributer of Blu-ray™ recordable media manufactured by MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. that are the subject of the claims raised in this matter. As such, the claims of this complaint arise out of the same transaction, occurrence, or series of transactions or occurrences relating to the making, using, importing into the United States, offering for sale, and/or selling of the same accused products, and questions of fact common to all Defendants will arise in the action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 299.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

11. This action arises under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, including 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, 283, 284, and 285. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this case for patent infringement under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

12. The Court has personal jurisdiction over each Defendant because: each Defendant has

minimum contacts within the State of Delaware and in the District of Delaware; each Defendant

has purposefully availed itself of the privileges of conducting business in the State of Delaware

and in the District of Delaware; each Defendant has sought protection and benefit from the laws

of the State of Delaware; each Defendant regularly conducts business within the State of

Delaware and within the District of Delaware, and Plaintiff's causes of action arise directly from

each Defendant's business contacts and other activities in the State of Delaware and in the

District of Delaware. In addition, MEDIA MASTERS LLC is incorporated in Delaware

13. More specifically, Defendant, directly and/or through its intermediaries, ships,

distributes, makes, uses, imports, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises its products and

affiliated services in the United States, the State of Delaware, and the District of Delaware.

Based upon public information, Defendant has committed patent infringement in the State of

Delaware and in the District of Delaware. Defendant solicits customers in the State of Delaware

and in the District of Delaware. Defendant has many paying customers who are residents of the

State of Delaware and the District of Delaware and who use Defendant's products in the State of

Delaware and in the District of Delaware. In addition, MEDIA MASTERS LLC is incorporated

in Delaware.

14. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1400(b) because MEDIA MASTERS LLC

resides in the District of Delaware because of its formation under the laws of Delaware.

15. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and (c) because MEDIA MASTERS

LLC resides in the District of Delaware because of its formation under the laws of Delaware,

which subjects it to the personal jurisdiction of this Court.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

16. Each of the Patents-in-Suit traces its priority date back to Application No. 09/055,825 (hereinafter, "the '825 Application"), which was filed with the USPTO on April 6, 1998, and was the parent to Application No. 09/730,246 (hereinafter, "the '246 Application"), which was filed with the USPTO on December 5, 2000 and issued as United States Patent No. 6,890,704. Application No. 09/850,252 (hereinafter, "the '252 Application") was a continuation-in-part application of the '246 Application, which was filed with the USPTO on May 7, 2001 and issued as United States Patent No. 6,728,196 on April 27, 2004.

17. The Patents-in-Suit were duly and legally issued by the USPTO after full and fair examinations.

- 18. Defendant sells, advertises, offers for sale, uses, or otherwise provides Blu-ray[™] recordable media (collectively, the "Accused Products") to its customers, either directly or through third-party vendors. See **Exhibit E** (offer for sale of Blu-ray[™] recordable media).
- 19. A picture of representative packaging for the Accused Products is attached as **Exhibit F** (packaging for Blu-rayTM recordable media).
- 20. A representative analysis of the physical characteristics of the Accused Products is attached as **Exhibit G** (analysis of a Blu-rayTM recordable disc).
- 21. According to public information, Defendant MEDIA MASTERS LLC owns, operates, advertises, and/or controls the website www.mediamastersdisc.com to advertise, sell, offer to sell, provide and/or educate customers about its Products.

- 22. In particular, Defendant MEDIA MASTERS LLC offers Blu-ray[™] recordable media manufactured by and under the brand of Defendant MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. See Exhibit H (website view), Exhibit I (website view), and Exhibit J (website view).
- 23. According to public information, Defendant MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. owns, operates, advertises, and/or controls the website www.moserbaer.com to advertise, sell, offer to sell, provide and/or educate customers about its Products.
- 24. In particular, Defendant MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. manufactures and offers for sale Blu-rayTM recordable media. See **Exhibit K** (website view)

SINGLE ACTION

- 25. This suit is commenced against MOSER BAER INDIA LTD. and MEDIA MASTERS LLC pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 299 in a single action because, inter alia, upon information and belief, they share advertising platforms, share distribution platforms, and share accused product lines. See Ex. H and Ex. I.
- 26. Accordingly, the claims of this complaint arise out of the same transaction, occurrence, or series of transactions or occurrences relating to the making, using, importing into the United States, offering for sale, or selling of the same accused product or process, and questions of fact common to all Defendants will arise in the action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 299.

COUNT I INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,352,685

- 27. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference each of Paragraphs 1-26 above.
- 28. United States Patent No. 7,352,685 (hereinafter, the "'685 Patent") was duly and legally issued by the USPTO on April 1, 2008 to its inventors, Jathan D. Edwards and Donald J. Kerfeld, and was initially assigned to Imation Corporation. <u>See</u> Ex. A.

29. The '685 Patent was issued after full and fair examination of application number

10/790,970 which was filed with the USPTO on March 2, 2004 as a continuation of application

number 09/850,252 (which itself issued as United States Patent No. 6,728,196). See Ex. A.

30. A Certificate of Correction was issued for the '685 Patent on February 16, 2010. See Ex.

A.

31. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the '685 Patent either literally or under

the doctrine of equivalents through the manufacture and sale of infringing products. More

specifically, Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '685

Patent, including at least Claims 1, 2-4, 7, 9, and 19-35 (the "685 Patent Claims") because it

ships distributes, makes, uses, imports, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises the Accused

Products. Specifically, Defendant's Accused Products infringe the '685 Patent Claims by

providing to its customers Blu-rayTM recordable media with the physical characteristics as

claimed in the '685 Patent Claims. See Ex. G. Defendant's Accused Products are available for

sale through various retailers located in this district and throughout the United States. See Ex. E.

Ex. F. Defendant's Accused Products are offered for sale on its websites. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex.

J, and Ex. K.

32. Defendant has intentionally induced and continues to induce infringement of the '685

Patent Claims in this district and elsewhere in the United States, by its intentional acts which

have successfully, among other things, encouraged, instructed, enabled, and otherwise caused

Defendant's customers to use the Accused Products in an infringing manner. Despite knowledge

of the '685 Patent as early as the date of service of the Original Complaint in this action,

Defendant continues to encourage, instruct, enable, and otherwise cause its customers to use its

systems and methods, in a manner which infringes the '685 Patent claims.¹ The provision of and sale of the Accused Products provides Defendant with a source of revenue and business focus. Defendant has specifically intended its customers to use the Accused Products in such a way that infringes the '685 Patent by, at a minimum, providing and supporting the Accused Products under its trademarked brand and referring to and marking the products as Blu-ray™ compliant through use of such logos and terminology, thereby inducing Defendant's vendors to sell and their customers to purchase Blu-ray™ recordable media that infringe one or more claims of the '685 Patent. Defendant knew that its actions, including but not limited to, making the Accused Products available for sale under its trademarked brand, would induce, have induced, and will continue to induce infringement by its vendors and their customers by continuing to sell, support, and instruct its customers on using, the Accused Products. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.

- 33. Defendant's aforesaid activities have been without authority and/or license from Plaintiff.
- 34. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's wrongful acts in an amount subject to proof at trial, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court under 35 U.S.C. § 284.
- 35. Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's rights under the '685 Patent will continue to damage Plaintiff, causing irreparable harm to Plaintiff for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless enjoined by this Court.

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¹ <u>See</u> In re Bill of Lading Transmission & Processing Sys. Patent Litig., 681 F.3d 1323, 1345 (Fed. Cir. 2012); see also Collabo Innovations, Inc. v. Omnivision Technologies, Inc., Case No. 16–197–SLR–SRF, 2017 WL 374484, *9 (F. Del. Jan. 25, 2017).

COUNT II INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,801,016

- 36. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference each of Paragraphs 1-26 above.
- 37. United States Patent No. 7,801,016 (hereinafter, the "'016 Patent") was duly and legally issued by the USPTO on September 21, 2010 to its inventors, Jathan D. Edwards and Donald J. Kerfeld, and was initially assigned to Imation Corporation. See Ex. B.
- 38. The '016 Patent was issued after full and fair examination of application number 12/584,454 which was filed with the USPTO on September 4, 2009 as a continuation of application number 10/790,965 (which itself issued as United States Patent No. 7,600,992). See Ex. B.
- 39. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the '016 Patent either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents through the manufacture and sale of infringing products. More specifically, Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '016 Patent, including at least Claim 1 (the "'016 Patent Claims") because it ships distributes, makes, uses, imports, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises the Accused Products. Specifically, Defendant's Accused Products infringe the '016 Patent Claims by providing to its customers Blu-ray™ recordable media with the physical characteristics as claimed in the '016 Patent Claims. See Ex. G. Defendant's Accused Products are available for sale through various retailers located in this district and throughout the United States. See Ex. E, Ex. F. Defendant's Accused Products are offered for sale on its websites. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.
- 40. Defendant has intentionally induced and continues to induce infringement of the '016 Patent Claims in this district and elsewhere in the United States, by its intentional acts which have successfully, among other things, encouraged, instructed, enabled, and otherwise caused

Defendant's customers to use the Accused Products in an infringing manner. Despite knowledge of the '016 Patent as early as the date of service of the Original Complaint in this action, Defendant continues to encourage, instruct, enable, and otherwise cause its customers to use its systems and methods, in a manner which infringes the '016 Patent claims.² The provision of and sale of the Accused Products provides Defendant with a source of revenue and business focus. Defendant has specifically intended its customers to use the Accused Products in such a way that infringes the '016 Patent by, at a minimum, providing and supporting the Accused Products under its trademarked brand and referring to and marking the products as Blu-rayTM compliant through use of such logos and terminology, thereby inducing Defendant's vendors to sell and their customers to purchase Blu-rayTM recordable media that infringe one or more claims of the '016 Patent. Defendant knew that its actions, including but not limited to, making the Accused Products available for sale under its trademarked brand, would induce, have induced, and will continue to induce infringement by its vendors and their customers by continuing to sell, support, and instruct its customers on using, the Accused Products. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.

- 41. Defendant's aforesaid activities have been without authority and/or license from Plaintiff.
- 42. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's wrongful acts in an amount subject to proof at trial, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court under 35 U.S.C. § 284.

² See Footnote 1 above.

43. Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's rights under the '016 Patent will continue to damage Plaintiff, causing irreparable harm to Plaintiff for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless enjoined by this Court.

COUNT IIIINFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,593,931

- 44. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference each of Paragraphs 1-26 above.
- 45. United States Patent No. 8,593,931 (hereinafter, the "'931 Patent") was duly and legally issued by the USPTO on November 26, 2013 to its inventors, Jathan D. Edwards and Donald J. Kerfeld, and was initially assigned to Legger Col. A.B. LLC. See Ex. C.
- 46. The '931 Patent was issued after full and fair examination of application number 13/730,733 which was filed with the USPTO on December 28, 2012 as a continuation of application number 13/089,994 (which itself issued as United States Patent No. 8,363,534). See Ex. C.
- 47. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the '931 Patent either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents through the manufacture and sale of infringing products. More specifically, Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '931 Patent, including at least Claims 1, 2-4, 7, 9, 10, 11, and 14 (the "'931 Patent Claims") because it ships distributes, makes, uses, imports, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises the Accused Products. Specifically, Defendant's Accused Products infringe the '931 Patent Claims by providing to its customers Blu-ray™ recordable media with the physical characteristics as claimed in the '931 Patent Claims. See Ex. G. Defendant's Accused Products are available for sale through various retailers located in this district and throughout the United States. See Ex. E,

Ex. F. Defendant's Accused Products are offered for sale on its websites. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex.

J, and Ex. K.

48. Defendant has intentionally induced and continues to induce infringement of the '931

Patent Claims in this district and elsewhere in the United States, by its intentional acts which

have successfully, among other things, encouraged, instructed, enabled, and otherwise caused

Defendant's customers to use the Accused Products in an infringing manner. Despite knowledge

of the '931 Patent as early as the date of service of the Original Complaint in this action,

Defendant continues to encourage, instruct, enable, and otherwise cause its customers to use its

systems and methods, in a manner which infringes the '931 Patent claims.' The provision of and

sale of the Accused Products provides Defendant with a source of revenue and business focus.

Defendant has specifically intended its customers to use the Accused Products in such a way that

infringes the '931 Patent by, at a minimum, providing and supporting the Accused Products

under its trademarked brand and referring to and marking the products as Blu-rayTM compliant

through use of such logos and terminology, thereby inducing Defendant's vendors to sell and

their customers to purchase Blu-rayTM recordable media that infringe one or more claims of the

'931 Patent. Defendant knew that its actions, including but not limited to, making the Accused

Products available for sale under its trademarked brand, would induce, have induced, and will

continue to induce infringement by its vendors and their customers by continuing to sell, support,

and instruct its customers on using, the Accused Products. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.

49. Defendant's aforesaid activities have been without authority and/or license from Plaintiff.

³ See Footnote 1 above.

50. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's wrongful acts in an amount subject to proof at trial, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court under 35 U.S.C. § 284.

51. Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's rights under the '931 Patent will continue to damage Plaintiff, causing irreparable harm to Plaintiff for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless enjoined by this Court.

COUNT IVINFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. RE44633

- 52. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference each of Paragraphs 1-26 above.
- 53. United States Reissued Patent No. RE44633 (hereinafter, the "'633 Patent") was duly and legally issued by the USPTO on December 10, 2013 to its inventors, Jathan D. Edwards and Donald J. Kerfeld, and was initially assigned to Legger Col. A.B. LLC. <u>See</u> Ex. D. The '633 Patent was filed with the USPTO on September 23, 2011 as application number 13/243,939. *Id.*
- 54. The reexamination that resulted in the issuance of the '633 Patent was based on United States Patent No. 7,952,986 (the "'986 Patent"), which issued on May 31, 2011 from Application No. 12/852,139 and was filed with the USPTO on August 6, 2010, as a continuation of application number 12/584,454 (which itself issued as United States Patent No. 7,801,016). See Ex. D.
- 55. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the '633 Patent either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents through the manufacture and sale of infringing products. More specifically, Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '633 Patent, including at least Claims 1, 2-4, 15, 16, 18 and 19 (the "'633 Patent Claims") because it

ships distributes, makes, uses, imports, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises t``1he Accused Products. Specifically, Defendant's Accused Products infringe the '633 Patent Claims by providing to its customers Blu-rayTM recordable media with the physical characteristics as claimed in the '633 Patent Claims. See Ex. G. Defendant's Accused Products are available for sale through various retailers located in this district and throughout the United States. See Ex. E. Defendant's Accused Products are available for sale on its websites. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.

56. Defendant has intentionally induced and continues to induce infringement of the '633 Patent Claims in this district and elsewhere in the United States, by its intentional acts which have successfully, among other things, encouraged, instructed, enabled, and otherwise caused Defendant's customers to use the Accused Products in an infringing manner. Despite knowledge of the '633 Patent as early as the date of service of the Original Complaint in this action, Defendant continues to encourage, instruct, enable, and otherwise cause its customers to use its systems and methods, in a manner which infringes the '633 Patent claims.⁴ The provision of and sale of the Accused Products provides Defendant with a source of revenue and business focus. Defendant has specifically intended its customers to use the Accused Products in such a way that infringes the '633 Patent by, at a minimum, providing and supporting the Accused Products under its trademarked brand and referring to and marking the products as Blu-ray™ compliant through use of such logos and terminology, thereby inducing Defendant's vendors to sell and their customers to purchase Blu-ray™ recordable media that infringe one or more claims of the '633 Patent. Defendant knew that its actions, including but not limited to, making the Accused

⁴ <u>See</u> Footnote 1 above.

Products available for sale under its trademarked brand, would induce, have induced, and will continue to induce infringement by its vendors and their customers by continuing to sell, support, and instruct its customers on using, the Accused Products. See Ex. H, Ex. I, Ex. J, and Ex. K.

- 57. Defendant's aforesaid activities have been without authority and/or license from Plaintiff.
- 58. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's wrongful acts in an amount subject to proof at trial, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court under 35 U.S.C. § 284.
- 59. Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's rights under the '633 Patent will continue to damage Plaintiff, causing irreparable harm to Plaintiff for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless enjoined by this Court.

JURY DEMAND

60. Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

- 61. Plaintiff respectfully requests the following relief:
 - A. An adjudication that one or more claims of the Patents-in-Suit has been infringed, either literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, by the Defendant;
 - B. An adjudication that Defendant has induced infringement of one or more claims of the Patents-in-Suit based upon post-filing date knowledge of the Patents-in-Suit;
 - C. An award of damages to be paid by Defendant adequate to compensate Plaintiff for Defendant's past infringement and any continuing or future infringement up

until the date such judgment is entered, including interest, costs, and disbursements as justified under 35 U.S.C. § 284 and, if necessary to adequately compensate Plaintiff for Defendant's infringement, an accounting of all infringing sales including, but not limited to, those sales not presented at trial;

- D. A grant of permanent injunction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 283, enjoining the Defendant and its respective officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of the order by personal service or otherwise, from further acts of infringement with respect to any one or more of the claims of the Patents-in-Suit;
- E. That this Court declare this to be an exceptional case and award Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 285; and,
- F. Any further relief that this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: December 12, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

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