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21 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
 22 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

23 XR COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, dba  
 24 VIVATO TECHNOLOGIES,

25 *Plaintiff,*

26 *v.*

27 RUCKUS WIRELESS, INC.,

28 *Defendant.*

Case No. 2:17-cv-02961-AG(JCGx)

**SECOND AMENDED  
 COMPLAINT FOR PATENT  
 INFRINGEMENT**

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1 **I. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

2 1. This is an action for patent infringement. This Court has subject matter  
3 jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a) because this action arises  
4 under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 *et seq.*

5 **II. THE PARTIES**

6 2. Plaintiff XR Communications LLC d/b/a Vivato Technologies  
7 (“Vivato” or “Plaintiff”) is a limited liability company organized and existing under  
8 the laws of Delaware with its principal place of business at 444 S. Cedros Ave.,  
9 Solana Beach, CA 92075.

10 3. Ruckus Wireless, Inc. (“Ruckus” or “Defendant”) is a corporation  
11 organized and existing under the laws of Delaware with its principal place of  
12 business at 350 West Java Drive., Sunnyvale, CA 94089. Ruckus has a registered  
13 agent for service of process at C T Corporation System, 818 W 7th St. Ste. 930, Los  
14 Angeles, CA 90017.

15 4. Brocade Communication Systems, Inc. (“Brocade”) is a corporation  
16 organized and existing under the laws of Delaware with its principal place of  
17 business at 130 Holger Way, San Jose, CA 95134. Brocade has a registered agent  
18 for service of process at C T Corporation System, 818 W 7th St. Ste. 930, Los  
19 Angeles, CA 90017. At the time of this action’s filing, Ruckus was a wholly owned  
20 subsidiary of Brocade and Ruckus was the alter ego of Brocade. For example, upon  
21 information and belief, at the time of this action’s filing:

- 22 • Brocade and Ruckus failed to observe corporate formalities  
23 including adequate capitalization;
- 24 • Brocade wholly owned Ruckus and substantially dominated its  
25 management;
- 26 • Ruckus did not have regular board meetings;
- 27 • Ruckus had no functioning corporate directors;
- 28 • Ruckus had no board of directors;

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- Ruckus and Brocade share some corporate officers according to the California Secretary of State. For example, Ruckus’s Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary, as reported to the California Secretary of State, were Brocade executives;
- Ruckus had no employees; and
- Ruckus products were developed, managed, and sold only by individuals who were employed by Brocade and whose salaries were paid by Brocade only.

5. Brocade’s disregard of Ruckus’s separate corporate identity resulted in fraud and injustice because Vivato and courts, for example, cannot determine whether venue is proper in a district despite the fact that Ruckus has employees that work from an office leased by Brocade. As another example, fraud and injustice has resulted against Vivato, because without a determination of alter ego, Vivato would not be able to hold Brocade liable for infringement by Ruckus’s products. As a specific example, Ruckus’s counsel has represented that Ruckus Wireless, Inc. is no longer in existence since the transfer of Ruckus (as a subsidiary of Brocade) from Brocade to Arris, PLC) in December 2017. This would likely cost Vivato additional resources and time to determine what party would be liable for Ruckus’s past sales of infringing Ruckus products, which would be an injustice. But also for example, if alter ego is not found, Vivato may not ever collect on a judgment against Ruckus Wireless, Inc., if it is dissolved, nor Brocade, because without piercing the veil it would be considered a separate corporate entity. This would be a great injustice.

6. These facts show that there was such unity of interest and ownership, at and around the time of the filing of the Complaint in April 2017, that the separate personalities of Ruckus and Brocade did not exist and that their failure to disregard their separate identities resulted in fraud or injustice.

1           7.     This Court has personal jurisdiction over Ruckus because Ruckus has  
2 its principal place of business in California.

3           8.     Venue is proper in this federal district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b)  
4 because at the time of this action’s filing, Ruckus has committed acts of infringement  
5 in this District and has a regular and established place of business in this District.  
6 Ruckus sells and offers to sell its infringing devices, including the ZoneFlex R710,  
7 to customers in this District directly, as well as through resellers and distributors.  
8 For example, Ruckus sells the ZoneFlex R710 to customers located in this District  
9 through the website Amazon.com. Further, Ruckus has a physical office in this  
10 District that it shares with Brocade. This physical office is located at 2875 Michelle  
11 Drive, Suite 110, Irvine, CA 92606 (“Irvine Office”), as indicated on the office  
12 directory on Brocade’s website, attached hereto as Exhibit D. More importantly,  
13 Ruckus and Brocade have numerous agents or employees (including Brocade  
14 employees) that reside in this District, regularly work out of the Irvine Office and  
15 their home offices located in this District, and conduct Ruckus business in this  
16 District, including an employee whose title is “Manager – Southern California.”<sup>1</sup> For  
17 example, Ruckus and Brocade’s agents or employees have managed (e.g., working  
18 with, selling, and supporting) Ruckus products, including Ruckus-branded ICX  
19 products, from the Irvine Office. One such person who conducted Ruckus business  
20 regularly from the Irvine Office was Dale Kording, who managed the Ruckus-  
21 branded ICX products. Upon information and belief, other Ruckus and Brocade  
22 agents or employees (including Brocade employees) have access to and regularly  
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24 <sup>1</sup> Plaintiff’s investigation has revealed that at least the following Ruckus and Brocade  
25 agents or employees regularly work and conduct business in this District: Dave  
26 Marrazzo, Manager – Southern California (Exhibit E); Israel Calvo, Systems  
27 Engineer (Exhibit F); James Dunlap, Channel Sales Manager (Exhibit G); Juan  
28 Santiago, Director – LTE Small Cell Business Unit (Exhibit H); Judith Aponte-  
Randall, Distribution Manager (Exhibit I); Jeanette Lee, Senior Systems Engineer  
(Exhibit J); Michael Fong, Software Engineer (Exhibit K); Kevin Wolfe, Systems  
Engineer (Exhibit L); Dale Kording (Exhibit N); and Ernie Funari (Exhibit O).

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1 visit, use, and work out of the Irvine Office when conducting Ruckus business in the  
2 city of Irvine and the surrounding area.

3 **III. BACKGROUND OF THE TECHNOLOGY**

4 9. Vivato was founded in 2000 as a \$80+million venture-backed company  
5 with several key innovators in the wireless communication field including Siavash  
6 Alamouti, Ken Biba, William Crilly, James Brennan, Edward Casas, and Vahid  
7 Tarokh among many others. Wi-Fi/802.11 has become the ubiquitous wireless  
8 connection to the Internet and is now integrated into hundreds of millions of mobile  
9 devices globally. Vivato was founded to leverage its talent to generate intellectual  
10 property and deliver Wi-Fi/802.11 wireless connectivity solutions to service the  
11 growing demand for bandwidth.

12 10. Over the years, Vivato has developed proven technology, with over 400  
13 deployments globally, including private, public and government, and has become a  
14 recognized provider of extended range Wi-Fi network infrastructure solutions.  
15 Vivato's wireless base stations integrate beamforming phased array antenna design  
16 with packet steering technology to deliver high-bandwidth extended range  
17 connections to serve multiple users and multiple devices.

18 11. Vivato's patent portfolio includes over 17 issued patents and pending  
19 patent applications. The patents-in-suit are directed to specific aspects of wireless  
20 communication including adaptively steered antenna technology and beam  
21 switching technology.

22 **IV. COUNT ONE: INFRINGEMENT OF UNITED STATES**  
23 **PATENT NO. 7,062,296**

24 12. On June 13, 2006, United States Patent No. 7,062,296 ("the '296  
25 Patent") was duly and legally issued for inventions entitled "Forced Beam Switching  
26 in Wireless Communication Systems Having Smart Antennas." Vivato owns the  
27 '296 Patent and holds the right to sue and recover damages for infringement thereof.  
28 A copy of the '296 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

1           13. Defendant has directly infringed and continues to directly infringe  
2 numerous claims of the '296 Patent, including at least claim 33, by manufacturing,  
3 using, selling, offering to sell, and/or importing into the United States WiFi access  
4 points and routers supporting MU-MIMO, including without limitation access points  
5 and routers utilizing the IEEE 802.11ac-2013 standard (e.g. Defendant's ZoneFlex  
6 R710, ZoneFlex R610, ZoneFlex R510, ZoneFlex H510, ZoneFlex T710, ZoneFlex  
7 T610, and ZoneFlex C110) (collectively the "Accused Products"). Defendant is  
8 liable for infringement of the '296 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

9           14. Each of the Accused Products comprises an apparatus for use in a  
10 wireless communication system. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 is an apparatus  
11 for use in a wireless communication system.

12           15. Each of the Accused Products comprises at least one smart antenna. For  
13 example, the ZoneFlex R710 has at least one smart antenna.

14           16. Each of the Accused Products comprises at least one transceiver  
15 operatively coupled to said smart antenna and configured to send and receive  
16 electromagnetic signals using said smart antenna. For example, the ZoneFlex R710  
17 has a Qualcomm QCA9994 WiFi radio coupled to the smart antenna to send and  
18 receive signals. *See, e.g.*, IEEE 802.11ac-2013 ("802.11ac Standard") Clauses  
19 22.3.4.5(j), 22.3.4.6(g), 22.3.4.7(h), 22.3.4.8(p), 22.3.4.9.1(q), 22.3.4.9.2(q),  
20 22.3.4.10.4(e) ("Analog and RF: Up-convert the resulting complex baseband  
21 waveform associated with each transmit chain to an RF signal according to the center  
22 frequency of the desired channel and transmit."); *id.* Clauses 22.3.7.4, 22.3.8; *id.*  
23 Clause 22.3.3 and Figure 22-7:

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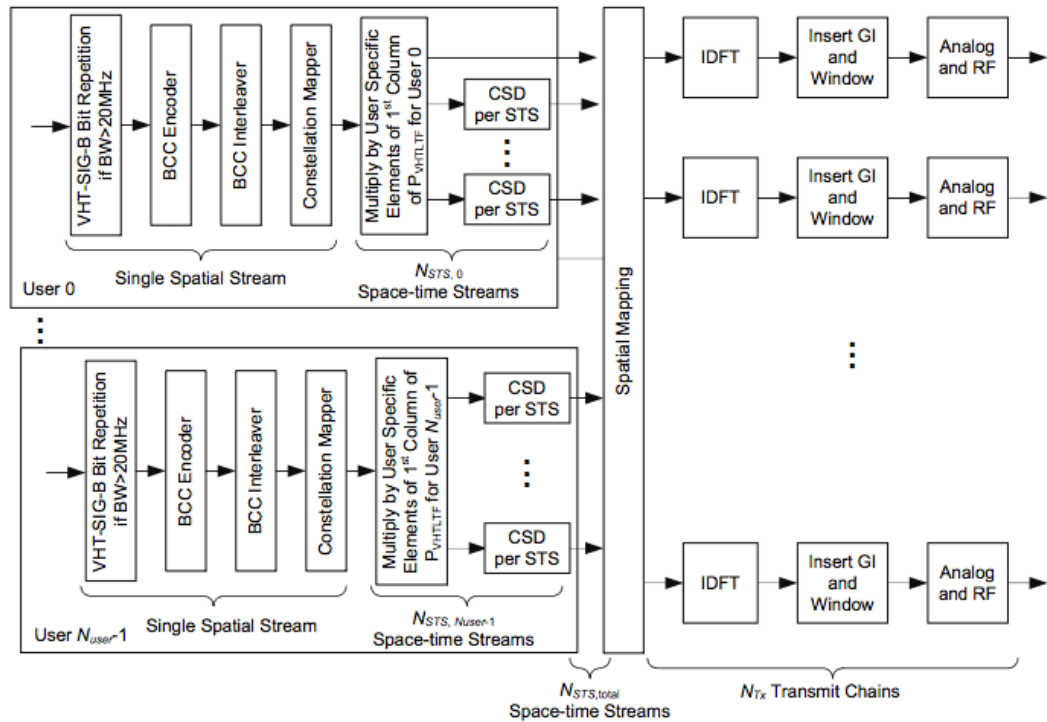


Figure 22-7—Transmitter block diagram for the VHT-SIG-B field of a 20 MHz, 40 MHz, and 80 MHz VHT MU PPDU

17. Each of the Accused Products comprises logic operatively coupled to said transceiver and configured to selectively allow a second device to operatively associate with a beam downlink transmittable to said second device using said smart antenna. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 allows a client device to operatively associate with a beam downlink transmittable to that client device using the smart antenna. See, e.g., 802.11ac Standard Clause 8.5.23.3 (“The Group ID Management frame is an Action frame of category VHT. It is transmitted by the AP to assign or change the user position of a STA for one or more group IDs. The Action field of a Group ID Management frame contains the information shown in Table 8-281aj”); id. Clause 8.4.1.51 (“The Membership Status Array field is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is 8 octets. An 8 octet Membership Status Array field (indexed by the group ID) consists of a 1-bit Membership Status subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-80f. \* \* \* Within the 8 octet Membership Status Array field, the 1-bit Membership Status subfield for each group ID is set as follows: — Set to 0 if the STA is not a member

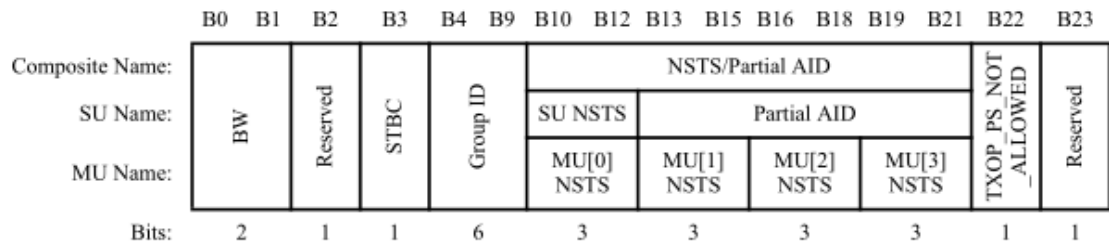
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1 of the group — Set to 1 if STA is a member of the group The Membership Status  
 2 subfields for group ID 0 (transmissions to AP) and group ID 63 (downlink SU  
 3 transmissions) are reserved.”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.52 (“The User Position Array field  
 4 is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is  
 5 16 octets. A 16 octet User Position Array field (indexed by the Group ID) consists  
 6 of a 2-bit User Position subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-  
 7 80g. \* \* \* If the Membership Status subfield for a particular group ID is 1, then the  
 8 corresponding User Position subfield is encoded as shown in Table 8-531.”); *id.*  
 9 Table 8-531:

10 **Table 8-531—Encoding of User Position subfield**

User Position subfield value	User position
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 17 *Id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.3 (“The VHT-SIG-A field carries information required to  
 18 interpret VHT PPDU. The structure of the VHT-SIG-A field for the first part (VHT-  
 19 SIG-A1) is shown in Figure 22-18 and for the second part (VHT-SIG-A2) is shown  
 20 in Figure 22-19.”); *id.* Figure 22-18:



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 25 **Figure 22-18—VHT-SIG-A1 structure**

26 *Id.* Clause 22.3.11.4:



1 When a STA receives a VHT MU PPDU where the Group ID field in VHT-SIG-A has the value  $k$  and where  
2 MembershipStatusInGroupID[ $k$ ] is equal to 1, then the number of space-time streams for that STA is  
3 indicated in the MU[UserPositionInGroupID[ $k$ ]] NSTS field in VHT-SIG-A. The space-time streams of  
4 different users are ordered in accordance to user position values, i.e., the space-time streams for the user in  
user position 0 come first, followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 1, followed by the  
space-time streams for the user in position 2, and followed by the space-time streams for the user in  
position 3.

5 A STA is also able to identify the space-time streams intended for other STAs that act as interference. VHT-  
6 LTF symbols in the VHT MU PPDU are used to measure the channel for the space-time streams intended  
7 for the STA and can also be used to measure the channel for the interfering space-time streams. To  
successfully demodulate the space-time streams intended for the STA, the STA may use the channel state  
information for all space-time streams to reduce the effect of interfering space-time streams.

8 *Id.* Clause 9.31.5.1 (“Transmit beamforming and DL-MU-MIMO require  
9 knowledge of the channel state to compute a steering matrix that is applied to the  
10 transmitted signal to optimize reception at one or more receivers. The STA  
11 transmitting using the steering matrix is called the VHT beamformer and a STA for  
12 which reception is optimized is called a VHT beamformee. An explicit feedback  
13 mechanism is used where the VHT beamformee directly measures the channel from  
14 the training symbols transmitted by the VHT beamformer and sends back a  
15 transformed estimate of the channel state to the VHT beamformer. The VHT  
16 beamformer then uses this estimate, perhaps combining estimates from multiple  
17 VHT beamformees, to derive the steering matrix.”); *id.* Clause 9.31.5.2 (“A VHT  
18 beamformer shall initiate a sounding feedback sequence by transmitting a VHT NDP  
19 Announcement frame followed by a VHT NDP after a SIFS. The VHT beamformer  
20 shall include in the VHT NDP Announcement frame one STA Info field for each  
21 VHT beamformee that is expected to prepare VHT Compressed Beamforming  
22 feedback and shall identify the VHT beamformee by including the VHT  
23 beamformee’s AID in the AID subfield of the STA Info field. The VHT NDP  
24 Announcement frame shall include at least one STA Info field.”); *id.* (“A non-AP  
25 VHT beamformee that receives a VHT NDP Announcement frame... shall transmit  
26 its VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback a SIFS after receiving a Beamforming  
27 Report Poll with RA matching its MAC address and a non-bandwidth signaling TA  
28 obtained from the TA field matching the MAC address of the VHT beamformer.”);

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1 *id.* Clauses 8.5.23.2, 8.4.1.48, 8.4.1.49; *id.* Clauses 22.3.4.6(d), 22.3.4.7(e),  
2 22.3.4.8(l), 22.3.4.9.1(m), 22.3.4.9.2(m), 22.3.4.10.4(a) (“Spatial mapping: Apply  
3 the  $Q$  matrix as described in 22.3.10.11.1.”); *id.* Clauses 22.3.10.11.1, 22.3.11.2;  
4 IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6.

5 18. Each of the Accused Products comprises logic configured to determine  
6 information from at least one uplink transmission receivable from said second device  
7 through said smart antenna. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 determines  
8 information from a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame received from a client  
9 device through its smart antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clauses 8.4.1.24,  
10 8.4.1.49, 8.5.23.2, 9.31.5.1, 9.31.5.2; IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6.

11 19. Each of the Accused Products comprises logic configured to determine  
12 if said associated second device should operatively associate with a different beam  
13 downlink transmittable using said smart antenna based on said determined  
14 information. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 determines, based on the information  
15 received in a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame, if the client device should  
16 operatively associate with a different beam downlink transmittable using the smart  
17 antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clauses 8.4.1.24, 8.4.1.49, 8.5.23.2, 9.31.5.1,  
18 9.31.5.2; *id.* Clause 22.3.11.2:

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1 Upon receipt of a VHT NDP sounding PPDU, the beamformee shall remove the space-time stream CSD in  
 2 Table 22-11 from the measured channel before computing a set of matrices for feedback to the beamformer.  
 3 The beamforming feedback matrix,  $V_{k,u}$ , found by the beamformee  $u$  for subcarrier  $k$  shall be compressed in  
 4 the form of angles using the method described in 20.3.12.3.6. The angles,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , are quantized  
 according to Table 8-53e. The number of bits for quantization is chosen by the beamformee, based on the  
 indication from the beamformer as to whether the feedback is requested for SU-MIMO beamforming or DL-  
 MU-MIMO beamforming. The compressed beamforming feedback using 20.3.12.3.6 is the only Clause 22  
 beamforming feedback format defined.

5 The beamformee shall generate the beamforming feedback matrices with the number of rows ( $N_r$ ) equal to  
 6 the  $N_{STS}$  of the NDP.

7 After receiving the angle information,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , the beamformer reconstructs  $V_{k,u}$  using Equation  
 8 (20-79). For SU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer can use this  $V_{k,0}$  matrix to determine the steering  
 matrix  $Q_k$ . For DL-MU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer may calculate a steering matrix  
 9  $Q_k = [Q_{k,0}, Q_{k,1}, \dots, Q_{k,N_{user}-1}]$  using  $V_{k,u}$  and  $SNR_{k,u}$  ( $0 \leq u \leq N_{user} - 1$ ) in order to suppress crosstalk  
 between participating beamformees. The method used by the beamformer to calculate the steering matrix  $Q_k$   
 is implementation specific.

10 20. Each of the Accused Products comprises logic configured to allow said  
 11 second device to operatively associate with said different beam if said associated  
 12 second device should operatively associate with a different beam and selectively  
 13 identify that said second device is not allowed to operatively associate with said  
 14 beam. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 allows a client device to operatively  
 15 associate with a beam that is different from the beam with which the client was  
 16 associated previously, and to identify that the client device is not allowed to  
 17 operatively associate with the prior beam. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause 10.40  
 18 (“An AP determines the possible combinations of STAs that can be addressed by a  
 19 VHT MU PPDU by assigning STAs to groups and to specific user positions within  
 20 those groups. Assignments or changes of user positions corresponding to one or  
 21 more Group IDs shall be performed using a Group ID Management frame defined  
 22 in 8.5.23.3...A VHT MU PPDU shall be transmitted to a STA based on the content  
 23 of the Group ID Management frame most recently transmitted to the STA and for  
 24 which an acknowledgement was received.”); *id.* Clause 8.5.23.3 (“The Group ID  
 25 Management frame is an Action frame of category VHT. It is transmitted by the AP  
 26 to assign or change the user position of a STA for one or more group IDs. The Action  
 27 field of a Group ID Management frame contains the information shown in Table 8-  
 28 281aj”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.51 (“The Membership Status Array field is used in the

1 Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is 8 octets. An  
 2 8 octet Membership Status Array field (indexed by the group ID) consists of a 1-bit  
 3 Membership Status subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-80f.  
 4 \* \* \* Within the 8 octet Membership Status Array field, the 1-bit Membership Status  
 5 subfield for each group ID is set as follows: — Set to 0 if the STA is not a member  
 6 of the group — Set to 1 if STA is a member of the group The Membership Status  
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 9 is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is  
 10 16 octets. A 16 octet User Position Array field (indexed by the Group ID) consists  
 11 of a 2-bit User Position subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-  
 12 80g. \* \* \* If the Membership Status subfield for a particular group ID is 1, then the  
 13 corresponding User Position subfield is encoded as shown in Table 8-53l.”); *id.*  
 14 Table 8-53l:

15 **Table 8-53l—Encoding of User Position subfield**

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 21 *Id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.3 (“The VHT-SIG-A field carries information required to  
 22 interpret VHT PPDU. The structure of the VHT-SIG-A field for the first part (VHT-  
 23 SIG-A1) is shown in Figure 22-18 and for the second part (VHT-SIG-A2) is shown  
 24 in Figure 22-19.”); *id.* Figure 22-18:

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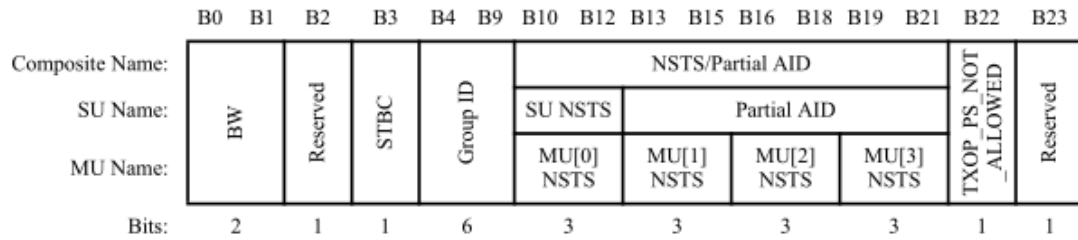


Figure 22-18—VHT-SIG-A1 structure

*Id.* Clause 22.3.11.4:

When a STA receives a VHT MU PPDU where the Group ID field in VHT-SIG-A has the value  $k$  and where MembershipStatusInGroupID[ $k$ ] is equal to 1, then the number of space-time streams for that STA is indicated in the MU[UserPositionInGroupID[ $k$ ]] NSTS field in VHT-SIG-A. The space-time streams of different users are ordered in accordance to user position values, i.e., the space-time streams for the user in user position 0 come first, followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 1, followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 2, and followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 3.

A STA is also able to identify the space-time streams intended for other STAs that act as interference. VHT-LTF symbols in the VHT MU PPDU are used to measure the channel for the space-time streams intended for the STA and can also be used to measure the channel for the interfering space-time streams. To successfully demodulate the space-time streams intended for the STA, the STA may use the channel state information for all space-time streams to reduce the effect of interfering space-time streams.

*Id.* Clause 9.31.5.1 (“Transmit beamforming and DL-MU-MIMO require knowledge of the channel state to compute a steering matrix that is applied to the transmitted signal to optimize reception at one or more receivers. The STA transmitting using the steering matrix is called the VHT beamformer and a STA for which reception is optimized is called a VHT beamformee. An explicit feedback mechanism is used where the VHT beamformee directly measures the channel from the training symbols transmitted by the VHT beamformer and sends back a transformed estimate of the channel state to the VHT beamformer. The VHT beamformer then uses this estimate, perhaps combining estimates from multiple VHT beamformees, to derive the steering matrix.”); *id.* Clause 9.31.5.2 (“A VHT beamformer shall initiate a sounding feedback sequence by transmitting a VHT NDP Announcement frame followed by a VHT NDP after a SIFS. The VHT beamformer shall include in the VHT NDP Announcement frame one STA Info field for each VHT beamformee that is expected to prepare VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback and shall identify the VHT beamformee by including the VHT

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1 beamformee's AID in the AID subfield of the STA Info field. The VHT NDP  
2 Announcement frame shall include at least one STA Info field."); *id.* ("A non-AP  
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6 obtained from the TA field matching the MAC address of the VHT beamformer.");  
7 *id.* Clauses 8.5.23.2, 8.4.1.48, 8.4.1.49; *id.* Clauses 22.3.4.6(d), 22.3.4.7(e),  
8 22.3.4.8(l), 22.3.4.9.1(m), 22.3.4.9.2(m), 22.3.4.10.4(a) ("Spatial mapping: Apply  
9 the Q matrix as described in 22.3.10.11.1."); *id.* Clauses 22.3.10.11.1, 22.3.11.2;  
10 IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6.

11 21. Defendant has been and is now indirectly infringing at least one claim  
12 of the '296 Patent in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) in this district and  
13 elsewhere in the United States. More specifically, Defendant has been and is now  
14 actively inducing direct infringement by other persons (e.g., Defendant's customers  
15 who use, sell, or offer for sale the Accused Products).

16 22. By at least the filing and service of the original Complaint on April 19,  
17 2017, and May 3, 2017, respectively, Defendant had knowledge of the '296 Patent,  
18 and that its actions resulted in a direct infringement of the '296 Patent. Defendant  
19 also knew or was willfully blind that its actions would induce direct infringement by  
20 others and intended that its actions would induce direct infringement by others.

21 23. Defendant actively induced, and continues to induce, such infringement  
22 by, among other things, providing user manuals and other instruction material for its  
23 Accused Products that induce its customers to use the Accused Products in their  
24 normal and customary way to infringe the '296 Patent. For example, Defendant's  
25 website provided, and continues to provide, instructions for using the Accused  
26 Products on wireless communication systems, and to utilize their beamforming and  
27 MU-MIMO functionalities. Defendant sold, and continues to sell, for example, on  
28 Amazon.com, the Accused Products to customers despite its knowledge of the '296

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1 Patent. Defendant manufactured and imported into the United States, and continues  
2 to do so, the Accused Products for sale and distribution to its customers, despite its  
3 knowledge of the '296 Patent. Through its continued manufacture, importation, and  
4 sales of its Accused Products, Defendant specifically intended for its customers to  
5 infringe claims of the '296 Patent. Further, Defendant was aware that these normal  
6 and customary activities would infringe the '296 Patent. Defendant performed, and  
7 continues to perform, acts that constitute induced infringement, and that would  
8 induce actual infringement, with knowledge of the '296 Patent and with the  
9 knowledge or willful blindness that the induced acts would constitute direct  
10 infringement.

11 24. Accordingly, a reasonable inference is that Defendant specifically  
12 intended for others, such as its customers, to directly infringe one or more claims of  
13 the '296 Patent in the United States because Defendant had knowledge of the '296  
14 Patent and actively induced others (e.g., its customers) to directly infringe the '296  
15 Patent by using, selling, or offering to sell the Accused Products and the MU-MIMO  
16 functionality within the Accused Products.

17 25. Defendant also infringes other claims of the '296 Patent, directly and  
18 through inducing infringement, for similar reasons as explained above with respect  
19 to Claim 33.

20 26. The '296 Patent is valid and enforceable.

21 27. Defendant's infringement of the '296 Patent has damaged Vivato, and  
22 Defendant is liable to Vivato in an amount to be determined at trial that compensates  
23 Vivato for the infringement, which by law can be no less than a reasonable royalty.

24 28. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '296 Patent, Vivato has  
25 suffered irreparable harm and will continue to suffer loss and injury.

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1 **V. COUNT TWO: INFRINGEMENT OF UNITED STATES**  
2 **PATENT NO. 7,729,728**

3 29. On June 1, 2010, United States Patent No. 7,729,728 (“the ’728  
4 Patent”) was duly and legally issued for inventions entitled “Forced Beam Switching  
5 in Wireless Communication Systems Having Smart Antennas.” Vivato owns the  
6 ’728 Patent and holds the right to sue and recover damages for infringement thereof.  
7 A copy of the ’728 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

8 30. Defendant has directly infringed and continues to directly infringe  
9 numerous claims of the ’728 Patent, including at least claim 16, by manufacturing,  
10 using, selling, offering to sell, and/or importing into the United States the Accused  
11 Products. Defendant is liable for infringement of the ’728 Patent pursuant to 35  
12 U.S.C. § 271(a).

13 31. Each of the Accused Products comprises a wireless communication  
14 system. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 is a wireless access point for use in a Wi-  
15 Fi network.

16 32. Each of the Accused Products comprises a phased array antenna  
17 configured to transmit beam downlinks. *See, e.g.*: 802.11ac Standard Clause  
18 8.4.2.58.6, Table 8-128.

19 33. Each of the Accused Products comprises a transceiver operatively  
20 coupled to the phased array antenna and configured to send and receive  
21 electromagnetic signals via the phased array antenna. For example, the ZoneFlex  
22 R710 has a Qualcomm QCA9994 WiFi radio that is configured to send and receive  
23 electromagnetic signals via the phased array antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard  
24 Clauses 22.3.4.5(j), 22.3.4.6(g), 22.3.4.7(h), 22.3.4.8(p), 22.3.4.9.1(q),  
25 22.3.4.9.2(q), 22.3.4.10.4(e) (“Analog and RF: Up-convert the resulting complex  
26 baseband waveform associated with each transmit chain to an RF signal according  
27 to the center frequency of the desired channel and transmit.”); *id.* Clauses 22.3.7.4,  
28 22.3.8; *id.* Clause 22.3.3 and Figure 22-7:



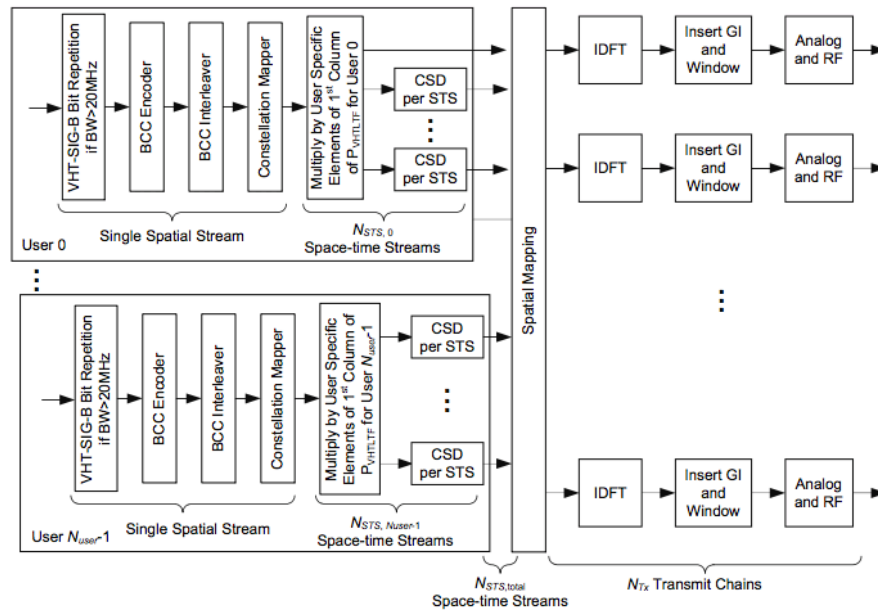


Figure 22-7—Transmitter block diagram for the VHT-SIG-B field of a 20 MHz, 40 MHz, and 80 MHz VHT MU PPDU

34. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes the phased array antenna and the transceiver. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 comprises an access point that includes a phased antenna array and a Qualcomm QCA9994 WiFi radio.

35. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes the phased array antenna and the transceiver that is configured to selectively allow a receiving device to operatively associate with a beam downlink transmitted to the receiving device via the phased array antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause 8.5.23.3 (“The Group ID Management frame is an Action frame of category VHT. It is transmitted by the AP to assign or change the user position of a STA for one or more group IDs. The Action field of a Group ID Management frame contains the information shown in Table 8-281aj”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.51 (“The Membership Status Array field is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is 8 octets. An 8 octet Membership Status Array field (indexed by the group ID) consists of a 1-bit Membership Status subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-80f. \* \* \* Within the 8 octet Membership Status Array field, the 1-bit Membership Status subfield for each group ID is set as follows: — Set to 0 if

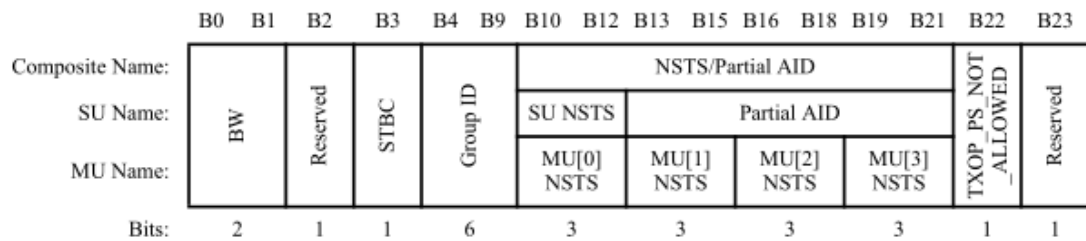
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1 the STA is not a member of the group — Set to 1 if STA is a member of the group  
 2 The Membership Status subfields for group ID 0 (transmissions to AP) and group  
 3 ID 63 (downlink SU transmissions) are reserved.”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.52 (“The User  
 4 Position Array field is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The  
 5 length of the field is 16 octets. A 16 octet User Position Array field (indexed by the  
 6 Group ID) consists of a 2-bit User Position subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as  
 7 shown in Figure 8-80g. \* \* \* If the Membership Status subfield for a particular  
 8 group ID is 1, then the corresponding User Position subfield is encoded as shown in  
 9 Table 8-53l.”); *id.* Table 8-53l:

10 **Table 8-53l—Encoding of User Position subfield**

User Position subfield value	User position
00	0
01	1
10	2
11	3

16 *Id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.3 (“The VHT-SIG-A field carries information required to  
 17 interpret VHT PPDU. The structure of the VHT-SIG-A field for the first part (VHT-  
 18 SIG-A1) is shown in Figure 22-18 and for the second part (VHT-SIG-A2) is shown  
 19 in Figure 22-19.”); *id.* Figure 22-18:



24 **Figure 22-18—VHT-SIG-A1 structure**

25 *Id.* Clause 22.3.11.4:

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1 When a STA receives a VHT MU PPDU where the Group ID field in VHT-SIG-A has the value  $k$  and where  
2 MembershipStatusInGroupID[ $k$ ] is equal to 1, then the number of space-time streams for that STA is  
3 indicated in the MU[UserPositionInGroupID[ $k$ ]] NSTS field in VHT-SIG-A. The space-time streams of  
4 different users are ordered in accordance to user position values, i.e., the space-time streams for the user in  
user position 0 come first, followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 1, followed by the  
space-time streams for the user in position 2, and followed by the space-time streams for the user in  
position 3.

5 A STA is also able to identify the space-time streams intended for other STAs that act as interference. VHT-  
6 LTF symbols in the VHT MU PPDU are used to measure the channel for the space-time streams intended  
7 for the STA and can also be used to measure the channel for the interfering space-time streams. To  
successfully demodulate the space-time streams intended for the STA, the STA may use the channel state  
information for all space-time streams to reduce the effect of interfering space-time streams.

8 *Id.* Clause 9.31.5.1 (“Transmit beamforming and DL-MU-MIMO require  
9 knowledge of the channel state to compute a steering matrix that is applied to the  
10 transmitted signal to optimize reception at one or more receivers. The STA  
11 transmitting using the steering matrix is called the VHT beamformer and a STA for  
12 which reception is optimized is called a VHT beamformee. An explicit feedback  
13 mechanism is used where the VHT beamformee directly measures the channel from  
14 the training symbols transmitted by the VHT beamformer and sends back a  
15 transformed estimate of the channel state to the VHT beamformer. The VHT  
16 beamformer then uses this estimate, perhaps combining estimates from multiple  
17 VHT beamformees, to derive the steering matrix.”); *id.* Clause 9.31.5.2 (“A VHT  
18 beamformer shall initiate a sounding feedback sequence by transmitting a VHT NDP  
19 Announcement frame followed by a VHT NDP after a SIFS. The VHT beamformer  
20 shall include in the VHT NDP Announcement frame one STA Info field for each  
21 VHT beamformee that is expected to prepare VHT Compressed Beamforming  
22 feedback and shall identify the VHT beamformee by including the VHT  
23 beamformee’s AID in the AID subfield of the STA Info field. The VHT NDP  
24 Announcement frame shall include at least one STA Info field.”); *id.* (“A non-AP  
25 VHT beamformee that receives a VHT NDP Announcement frame... shall transmit  
26 its VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback a SIFS after receiving a Beamforming  
27 Report Poll with RA matching its MAC address and a non-bandwidth signaling TA  
28 obtained from the TA field matching the MAC address of the VHT beamformer.”);

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1 *id.* Clauses 8.5.23.2, 8.4.1.48, 8.4.1.49; *id.* Clauses 22.3.4.6(d), 22.3.4.7(e),  
2 22.3.4.8(l), 22.3.4.9.1(m), 22.3.4.9.2(m), 22.3.4.10.4(a) (“Spatial mapping: Apply  
3 the *Q* matrix as described in 22.3.10.11.1.”); *id.* Clauses 22.3.10.11.1, 22.3.11.2;  
4 IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6.

5 36. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes  
6 the phased array antenna and the transceiver that is configured to receive an uplink  
7 transmission from the receiving device through the phased array antenna. For  
8 example, the ZoneFlex R710 is configured to receive a VHT Compressed  
9 Beamforming Feedback frame from a “receiving device” such as a connected laptop  
10 or smartphone through its phased-array antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard  
11 Clauses 8.4.1.24, 8.4.1.49, 8.5.23.2, 9.31.5.1, 9.31.5.2; IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause  
12 20.3.12.3.6.

13 37. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes  
14 the phased array antenna and the transceiver that is configured to determine from the  
15 uplink transmission if the receiving device should operatively associate with a  
16 different beam downlink transmission. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 is  
17 configured to determine from information contained in the VHT Compressed  
18 Beamforming Feedback frame if the receiving device that sent the VHT Compressed  
19 Beamforming Feedback frame should operatively associate with a different beam  
20 downlink transmission. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clauses 3.2, 8.4.1.24, 8.4.1.49,  
21 8.5.23.2, 9.31.5, 9.31.5.1, 9.31.5.2; *id.* Clause 22.3.11.2:

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1 Upon receipt of a VHT NDP sounding PPDU, the beamformee shall remove the space-time stream CSD in  
 2 Table 22-11 from the measured channel before computing a set of matrices for feedback to the beamformer.  
 3 The beamforming feedback matrix,  $V_{k,u}$ , found by the beamformee  $u$  for subcarrier  $k$  shall be compressed in  
 4 the form of angles using the method described in 20.3.12.3.6. The angles,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , are quantized  
 according to Table 8-53e. The number of bits for quantization is chosen by the beamformee, based on the  
 indication from the beamformer as to whether the feedback is requested for SU-MIMO beamforming or DL-  
 MU-MIMO beamforming. The compressed beamforming feedback using 20.3.12.3.6 is the only Clause 22  
 beamforming feedback format defined.

5 The beamformee shall generate the beamforming feedback matrices with the number of rows ( $Nr$ ) equal to  
 6 the  $N_{STS}$  of the NDP.

7 After receiving the angle information,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , the beamformer reconstructs  $V_{k,u}$  using Equation  
 8 (20-79). For SU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer can use this  $V_{k,0}$  matrix to determine the steering  
 9 matrix  $Q_k$ . For DL-MU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer may calculate a steering matrix  
 $Q_k = [Q_{k,0}, Q_{k,1}, \dots, Q_{k,N_{user}-1}]$  using  $V_{k,u}$  and  $SNR_{k,u}$  ( $0 \leq u \leq N_{user} - 1$ ) in order to suppress crosstalk  
 between participating beamformees. The method used by the beamformer to calculate the steering matrix  $Q_k$   
 is implementation specific.

10 38. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes  
 11 the phased array antenna and the transceiver that is configured to at least one of: (i)  
 12 allow the receiving device to operatively associate with the different beam downlink  
 13 if determined that the receiving device should operatively associate with the  
 14 different beam downlink; (ii) force the receiving device to operatively associate with  
 15 the different beam downlink if determined that the receiving device should be  
 16 operatively associated with the different beam downlink. For example, the ZoneFlex  
 17 R710 is configured to transmit a Group ID Management frame or VHT MU PPDU  
 18 VHT-SIG-A or combination thereof to allow the receiving device to operatively  
 19 associate with the different beam downlink if determined that the receiving device  
 20 should operatively associate with the different beam downlink; (ii) force the  
 21 receiving device to operatively associate with the different beam downlink if  
 22 determined that the receiving device should be operatively associated with the  
 23 different beam downlink. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause 10.40 (“An AP  
 24 determines the possible combinations of STAs that can be addressed by a VHT MU  
 25 PPDU by assigning STAs to groups and to specific user positions within those  
 26 groups. Assignments or changes of user positions corresponding to one or more  
 27 Group IDs shall be performed using a Group ID Management frame defined in  
 28 8.5.23.3...A VHT MU PPDU shall be transmitted to a STA based on the content of

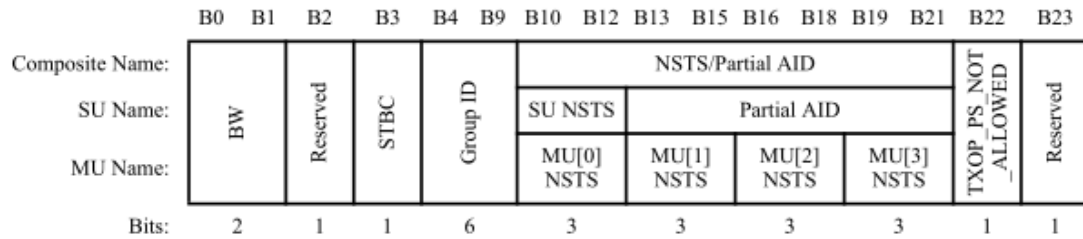
1 the Group ID Management frame most recently transmitted to the STA and for which  
 2 an acknowledgement was received.”); *id.* Clause 8.5.23.3 (“The Group ID  
 3 Management frame is an Action frame of category VHT. It is transmitted by the AP  
 4 to assign or change the user position of a STA for one or more group IDs. The Action  
 5 field of a Group ID Management frame contains the information shown in Table 8-  
 6 281aj”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.51 (“The Membership Status Array field is used in the  
 7 Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is 8 octets. An  
 8 8 octet Membership Status Array field (indexed by the group ID) consists of a 1-bit  
 9 Membership Status subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-80f.  
 10 \* \* \* Within the 8 octet Membership Status Array field, the 1-bit Membership Status  
 11 subfield for each group ID is set as follows: — Set to 0 if the STA is not a member  
 12 of the group — Set to 1 if STA is a member of the group The Membership Status  
 13 subfields for group ID 0 (transmissions to AP) and group ID 63 (downlink SU  
 14 transmissions) are reserved.”); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.52 (“The User Position Array field  
 15 is used in the Group ID Management frame (see 8.5.23.3). The length of the field is  
 16 16 octets. A 16 octet User Position Array field (indexed by the Group ID) consists  
 17 of a 2-bit User Position subfield for each of the 64 group IDs, as shown in Figure 8-  
 18 80g. \* \* \* If the Membership Status subfield for a particular group ID is 1, then the  
 19 corresponding User Position subfield is encoded as shown in Table 8-53l.”); *id.*  
 20 Table 8-53l:

21 **Table 8-53l—Encoding of User Position subfield**

User Position subfield value	User position
00	0
01	1
10	2
11	3

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 27 *Id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.3 (“The VHT-SIG-A field carries information required to  
 28 interpret VHT PPDU. The structure of the VHT-SIG-A field for the first part (VHT-

1 SIG-A1) is shown in Figure 22-18 and for the second part (VHT-SIG-A2) is shown  
 2 in Figure 22-19.”); *id.* Figure 22-18:



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7 **Figure 22-18—VHT-SIG-A1 structure**

8 *Id.* Clause 22.3.11.4:

9 When a STA receives a VHT MU PPDU where the Group ID field in VHT-SIG-A has the value  $k$  and where  
 10 MembershipStatusInGroupID[ $k$ ] is equal to 1, then the number of space-time streams for that STA is  
 11 indicated in the MU[UserPositionInGroupID[ $k$ ]] NSTS field in VHT-SIG-A. The space-time streams of  
 12 different users are ordered in accordance to user position values, i.e., the space-time streams for the user in  
 13 user position 0 come first, followed by the space-time streams for the user in position 1, followed by the  
 14 space-time streams for the user in position 2, and followed by the space-time streams for the user in  
 15 position 3.

13 A STA is also able to identify the space-time streams intended for other STAs that act as interference. VHT-  
 14 LTF symbols in the VHT MU PPDU are used to measure the channel for the space-time streams intended  
 15 for the STA and can also be used to measure the channel for the interfering space-time streams. To  
 16 successfully demodulate the space-time streams intended for the STA, the STA may use the channel state  
 17 information for all space-time streams to reduce the effect of interfering space-time streams.

16 *Id.* Clause 9.31.5.1 (“Transmit beamforming and DL-MU-MIMO require  
 17 knowledge of the channel state to compute a steering matrix that is applied to the  
 18 transmitted signal to optimize reception at one or more receivers. The STA  
 19 transmitting using the steering matrix is called the VHT beamformer and a STA for  
 20 which reception is optimized is called a VHT beamformee. An explicit feedback  
 21 mechanism is used where the VHT beamformee directly measures the channel from  
 22 the training symbols transmitted by the VHT beamformer and sends back a  
 23 transformed estimate of the channel state to the VHT beamformer. The VHT  
 24 beamformer then uses this estimate, perhaps combining estimates from multiple  
 25 VHT beamformees, to derive the steering matrix.”); *id.* Clause 9.31.5.2 (“A VHT  
 26 beamformer shall initiate a sounding feedback sequence by transmitting a VHT NDP  
 27 Announcement frame followed by a VHT NDP after a SIFS. The VHT beamformer  
 28 shall include in the VHT NDP Announcement frame one STA Info field for each

1 VHT beamformee that is expected to prepare VHT Compressed Beamforming  
 2 feedback and shall identify the VHT beamformee by including the VHT  
 3 beamformee's AID in the AID subfield of the STA Info field. The VHT NDP  
 4 Announcement frame shall include at least one STA Info field."); *id.* ("A non-AP  
 5 VHT beamformee that receives a VHT NDP Announcement frame... shall transmit  
 6 its VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback a SIFS after receiving a Beamforming  
 7 Report Poll with RA matching its MAC address and a non-bandwidth signaling TA  
 8 obtained from the TA field matching the MAC address of the VHT beamformer.");  
 9 *id.* Clauses 8.5.23.2, 8.4.1.48, 8.4.1.49; *id.* Clauses 22.3.4.6(d), 22.3.4.7(e),  
 10 22.3.4.8(l), 22.3.4.9.1(m), 22.3.4.9.2(m), 22.3.4.10.4(a) ("Spatial mapping: Apply  
 11 the Q matrix as described in 22.3.10.11.1."); *id.* Clauses 22.3.10.11.1, 22.3.11.2;  
 12 IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6.

13 39. Each of the Accused Products comprises an access point that includes  
 14 the phased array antenna and the transceiver that is configured to actively probe the  
 15 receiving device by generating a signal to initiate that the phased array antenna  
 16 transmit at least one downlink transmittable message over the beam downlinks, and  
 17 gather signal parameter information from uplink transmittable messages received  
 18 from the receiving device through the phased array antenna. For example, the  
 19 ZoneFlex R710 is configured to actively probe the receiving device by generating a  
 20 signal to initiate that the phased array antenna transmit a signal, e.g. a VHT null data  
 21 packet announcement frame over the beam downlinks, and to gather signal  
 22 parameter information from uplink transmittable messages received from the  
 23 receiving device through the phased array antenna, e.g. one or more VHT  
 24 Compressed Beamforming Feedback frames. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause  
 25 9.31.5, 9.31.5.2 ("A VHT beamformer shall initiate a sounding feedback sequence  
 26 by transmitting a VHT NDP Announcement frame followed by a VHT NDP after a  
 27 SIFS. The VHT beamformer shall include in the VHT NDP Announcement frame  
 28 one STA Info field for each VHT beamformee that is expected to prepare VHT



1 Compressed Beamforming feedback and shall identify the VHT beamformee by  
2 including the VHT beamformee's AID in the AID subfield of the STA Info field.  
3 The VHT NDP Announcement frame shall include at least one STA Info field."); *id.*  
4 ("A non-AP VHT beamformee that receives a VHT NDP Announcement frame...  
5 shall transmit its VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback a SIFS after receiving a  
6 Beamforming Report Poll with RA matching its MAC address and a non-bandwidth  
7 signaling TA obtained from the TA field matching the MAC address of the VHT  
8 beamformer."); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.24; IEEE 802.11-2012 Clause 20.3.12.3.6; 802.11ac  
9 Standard Clause 8.5.23.2 (defining format and subfields within the VHT  
10 Compressed Beamforming frame); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.48 (including Tables 8-53(d)-  
11 (h)) ("Each SNR value per tone in stream  $i$  (before being averaged) corresponds to  
12 the SNR associated with the column  $i$  of the beamforming feedback matrix  $V$   
13 determined at the beamformee"); *id.* Clause 8.4.1.49 (including Table 8-53i – MU  
14 Exclusive Beamforming Report information); *id.* Clauses 8.4.1.24, 9.31.5.1,  
15 9.31.5.2; *id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.5; *id.* Clause 22.3.11.2.

16 40. Defendant has been and is now indirectly infringing at least one claim  
17 of the '728 Patent in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) in this district and  
18 elsewhere in the United States. More specifically, Defendant has been and is now  
19 actively inducing direct infringement by other persons (e.g., Defendant's customers  
20 who use, sell, or offer for sale the Accused Products).

21 41. By at least the filing and service of the original Complaint on April 19,  
22 2017, and May 3, 2017, respectively, Defendant had knowledge of the '728 Patent,  
23 and that its actions resulted in a direct infringement of the '728 Patent. Defendant  
24 also knew or was willfully blind that its actions would induce direct infringement by  
25 others and intended that its actions would induce direct infringement by others.

26 42. Defendant actively induced, and continues to induce, such infringement  
27 by, among other things, providing user manuals and other instruction material for its  
28 Accused Products that induce its customers to use the Accused Products in their

1 normal and customary way to infringe the '728 Patent. For example, Defendant's  
2 website provided, and continues to provide, instructions for using the Accused  
3 Products on wireless communication systems, and to utilize their beamforming and  
4 MU-MIMO functionalities. Defendant sold, and continues to sell, for example, on  
5 Amazon.com, the Accused Products to customers despite its knowledge of the '728  
6 Patent. Defendant manufactured and imported into the United States, and continues  
7 to do so, the Accused Products for sale and distribution to its customers, despite its  
8 knowledge of the '728 Patent. Through its continued manufacture, importation, and  
9 sales of its Accused Products, Defendant specifically intended for its customers to  
10 infringe claims of the '728 Patent. Further, Defendant was aware that these normal  
11 and customary activities would infringe the '728 Patent. Defendant performed, and  
12 continues to perform, the acts that constitute induced infringement, and that would  
13 induce actual infringement, with knowledge of the '728 Patent and with the  
14 knowledge or willful blindness that the induced acts would constitute direct  
15 infringement.

16 43. Accordingly, a reasonable inference is that Defendant specifically  
17 intended for others, such as its customers, to directly infringe one or more claims of  
18 the '728 Patent in the United States because Defendant had knowledge of the '728  
19 Patent and actively induced others (e.g., its customers) to directly infringe the '728  
20 Patent by using, selling, or offering to sell the Accused Products and the MU-MIMO  
21 functionality within the Accused Products.

22 44. Defendant also infringes other claims of the '728 Patent, directly and  
23 through inducing infringement, for similar reasons as explained above with respect  
24 to Claim 16.

25 45. The '728 Patent is valid and enforceable.

26 46. Defendant's infringement of the '728 Patent has damaged Vivato, and  
27 Defendant is liable to Vivato in an amount to be determined at trial that compensates  
28 Vivato for the infringement, which by law can be no less than a reasonable royalty.

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1 47. As a result of Defendant’s infringement of the ’728 Patent, Vivato has  
2 suffered irreparable harm and will continue to suffer loss and injury.

3 **VI. COUNT THREE: INFRINGEMENT OF UNITED STATES**  
4 **PATENT NO. 6,611,231**

5 48. On August 26, 2003, United States Patent No. 6,611,231 (“the ’231  
6 Patent”) was duly and legally issued for inventions entitled “Wireless Packet  
7 Switched Communication Systems and Networks Using Adaptively Steered  
8 Antenna Arrays.” Vivato owns the ’231 Patent and holds the right to sue and recover  
9 damages for infringement thereof. A copy of the ’231 Patent is attached hereto as  
10 Exhibit C.

11 49. Defendant has directly infringed and continues to directly infringe  
12 numerous claims of the ’231 Patent, including at least claim 1, by manufacturing,  
13 using, selling, offering to sell, and/or importing into the United States the Accused  
14 Products. Defendant is liable for infringement of the ’231 Patent pursuant to 35  
15 U.S.C. § 271(a).

16 50. Each of the Accused Products comprises an apparatus for use in a  
17 wireless routing network. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 is an apparatus for use  
18 in a wireless routing network.

19 51. Each of the Accused Products comprises an adaptive antenna. For  
20 example, the ZoneFlex R710 has at least one adaptive antenna. *See, e.g.:* 802.11ac  
21 Standard Clause 8.4.2.58.6, Table 8-128:

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8.4.2.58.6 Transmit Beamforming Capabilities

Change the following rows in Table 8-128:

Table 8-128—Subfields of the Transmit Beamforming Capabilities field

Subfield	Definition	Encoding
CSI Number of Beamformer Antennas Supported	Indicates the maximum number of beamformer antennas the HT beamformee can support when CSI feedback is required	Set to 0 for single Tx antenna sounding Set to 1 for 2 Tx antenna sounding Set to 2 for 3 Tx antenna sounding Set to 3 for 4 Tx antenna sounding
Noncompressed Steering Number of Beamformer Antennas Supported	Indicates the maximum number of beamformer antennas the HT beamformee can support when noncompressed beamforming feedback matrix is required	Set to 0 for single Tx antenna sounding Set to 1 for 2 Tx antenna sounding Set to 2 for 3 Tx antenna sounding Set to 3 for 4 Tx antenna sounding
Compressed Steering Number of Beamformer Antennas Supported	Indicates the maximum number of beamformer antennas the HT beamformee can support when compressed beamforming feedback matrix is required	Set to 0 for single Tx antenna sounding Set to 1 for 2 Tx antenna sounding Set to 2 for 3 Tx antenna sounding Set to 3 for 4 Tx antenna sounding
CSI Max Number of Rows Beamformer Supported	Indicates the maximum number of rows of CSI explicit feedback from the HT beamformee or calibration responder or transmit ASEL responder that an HT beamformer or calibration initiator or transmit ASEL initiator can support when CSI feedback is required.	Set to 0 for a single row of CSI Set to 1 for 2 rows of CSI Set to 2 for 3 rows of CSI Set to 3 for 4 rows of CSI

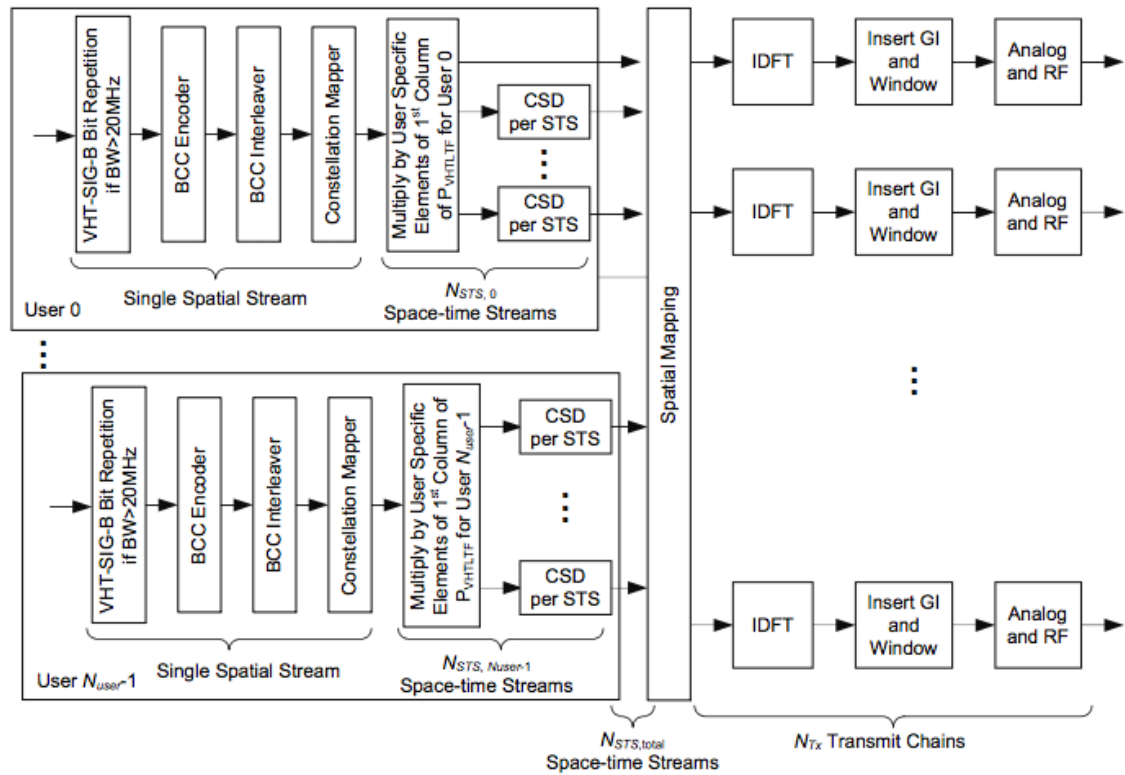
52. Each of the Accused Products comprises at least one transmitter operatively coupled to said adaptive antenna and at least one receiver operatively coupled to said adaptive antenna. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 has a Qualcomm QCA9994 WiFi radio operatively coupled to the adaptive antenna. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clauses 22.3.4.5(j), 22.3.4.6(g), 22.3.4.7(h), 22.3.4.8(p), 22.3.4.9.1(q), 22.3.4.9.2(q), 22.3.4.10.4(e) (“Analog and RF: Up-convert the resulting complex baseband waveform associated with each transmit chain to an RF signal according to the center frequency of the desired channel and transmit.”); *id.* Clauses 22.3.7.4, 22.3.8; *id.* Clause 22.3.3 and Figure 22-7:

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**Figure 22-7—Transmitter block diagram for the VHT-SIG-B field of a 20 MHz, 40 MHz, and 80 MHz VHT MU PPDU**

53. Each of the Accused Products comprises a control logic operatively coupled to said transmitter and configured to cause said at least one transmitter to output at least one transmission signal to said adaptive antenna to transmit corresponding outgoing multi-beam electromagnetic signals exhibiting a plurality of selectively placed transmission peaks and transmission nulls within a far field region of a coverage area based on routing information. For example, the ZoneFlex R710 is configured to output at least one transmission signal to said adaptive antenna. For a further example, the ZoneFlex R710 is configured to cause said at least one transmitter to output at least one transmission signal to said adaptive antenna to transmit corresponding outgoing multi-beam electromagnetic signals exhibiting a plurality of selectively placed transmission peaks and transmission nulls within a far field region of a coverage area based on routing information. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause 9.31.5.1 (“Transmit beamforming and DL-MU-MIMO require knowledge of the channel state to compute a steering matrix that is applied to the

1 transmitted signal to optimize reception at one or more receivers. The STA  
 2 transmitting using the steering matrix is called the VHT beamformer and a STA for  
 3 which reception is optimized is called a VHT beamformee. An explicit feedback  
 4 mechanism is used where the VHT beamformee directly measures the channel from  
 5 the training symbols transmitted by the VHT beamformer and sends back a  
 6 transformed estimate of the channel state to the VHT beamformer. The VHT  
 7 beamformer then uses this estimate, perhaps combining estimates from multiple  
 8 VHT beamformees, to derive the steering matrix.”); *id.* Clauses 22.3.4.6(d),  
 9 22.3.4.7(e), 22.3.4.8(l), 22.3.4.9.1(m), 22.3.4.9.2(m), 22.3.4.10.4(a) (“Spatial  
 10 mapping: Apply the  $Q$  matrix as described in 22.3.10.11.1.”); *id.* Clause  
 11 22.3.10.11.1; IEEE 802.11-2012 Standard Clause 20.3.12.3.6; 802.11ac Standard  
 12 Clauses 8.4.1.24, 9.31.5.1, 9.31.5.2; *id.* Clause 22.3.11.1:

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 14 The DL-MU-MIMO steering matrix  $Q_k = [Q_{k,0}, Q_{k,1}, \dots, Q_{k,N_{user}-1}]$  can be determined by the  
 15 beamformer using the beamforming feedback matrices for subcarrier  $k$  from beamformee  $u$ ,  $V_{k,u}$ , and SNR  
 16 information for subcarrier  $k$  from beamformee  $u$ ,  $SNR_{k,u}$ , where  $u = 0, 1, \dots, N_{user} - 1$ . The steering matrix  
 17 that is computed (or updated) using new beamforming feedback matrices and new SNR information from  
 some or all of participating beamformees might replace the existing steering matrix  $Q_k$  for the next DL-MU-  
 MIMO data transmission. The beamformee group for the MU transmission is signaled using the Group ID  
 field in VHT-SIG-A (see 22.3.8.3.3 and 22.3.11.4).

18 *Id.* Clause 22.3.11.2:

19 Upon receipt of a VHT NDP sounding PPDU, the beamformee shall remove the space-time stream CSD in  
 20 Table 22-11 from the measured channel before computing a set of matrices for feedback to the beamformer.  
 21 The beamforming feedback matrix,  $V_{k,u}$ , found by the beamformee  $u$  for subcarrier  $k$  shall be compressed in  
 22 the form of angles using the method described in 20.3.12.3.6. The angles,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , are quantized  
 23 according to Table 8-53e. The number of bits for quantization is chosen by the beamformee, based on the  
 24 indication from the beamformer as to whether the feedback is requested for SU-MIMO beamforming or DL-  
 MU-MIMO beamforming. The compressed beamforming feedback using 20.3.12.3.6 is the only Clause 22  
 beamforming feedback format defined.

25 The beamformee shall generate the beamforming feedback matrices with the number of rows ( $Nr$ ) equal to  
 26 the  $N_{STS}$  of the NDP.

27 After receiving the angle information,  $\phi(k,u)$  and  $\psi(k,u)$ , the beamformer reconstructs  $V_{k,u}$  using Equation  
 28 (20-79). For SU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer can use this  $V_{k,0}$  matrix to determine the steering  
 matrix  $Q_k$ . For DL-MU-MIMO beamforming, the beamformer may calculate a steering matrix  
 $Q_k = [Q_{k,0}, Q_{k,1}, \dots, Q_{k,N_{user}-1}]$  using  $V_{k,u}$  and  $SNR_{k,u}$  ( $0 \leq u \leq N_{user} - 1$ ) in order to suppress crosstalk  
 between participating beamformees. The method used by the beamformer to calculate the steering matrix  $Q_k$   
 is implementation specific.

1           54. Each of the Accused Products comprises search receiver logic  
2           operatively coupled to said control logic and said at least one receiver and configured  
3           to update said routing information based at least in part on cross-correlated signal  
4           information that is received by said receiver using said adaptive antenna. For  
5           example, the ZoneFlex R710 updates the routing information based at least in part  
6           on cross-correlated signal information received in a VHT Compressed Beamforming  
7           frame. *See, e.g.*, 802.11ac Standard Clause 9.31.5.2 (“A VHT beamformer shall  
8           initiate a sounding feedback sequence by transmitting a VHT NDP Announcement  
9           frame followed by a VHT NDP after a SIFS. The VHT beamformer shall include in  
10          the VHT NDP Announcement frame one STA Info field for each VHT beamformee  
11          that is expected to prepare VHT Compressed Beamforming feedback and shall  
12          identify the VHT beamformee by including the VHT beamformee’s AID in the AID  
13          subfield of the STA Info field. The VHT NDP Announcement frame shall include at  
14          least one STA Info field.”); *id.* (“A non-AP VHT beamformee that receives a VHT  
15          NDP Announcement frame... shall transmit its VHT Compressed Beamforming  
16          feedback a SIFS after receiving a Beamforming Report Poll with RA matching its  
17          MAC address and a non-bandwidth signaling TA obtained from the TA field  
18          matching the MAC address of the VHT beamformer.”); *id.* Clause 8.5.23.2 (defining  
19          format and subfields within the VHT Compressed Beamforming frame); *id.* Clause  
20          8.4.1.48 (including Tables 8-53(d)-(h)) (“Each SNR value per tone in stream  $i$   
21          (before being averaged) corresponds to the SNR associated with the column  $i$  of the  
22          beamforming feedback matrix  $V$  determined at the beamformee”); *id.* Clause  
23          8.4.1.49 (including Table 8-53i – MU Exclusive Beamforming Report information);  
24          *id.* Clauses 8.4.1.24, 9.31.5.1, 9.31.5.2; *id.* Clause 22.3.8.3.5; *id.* Clause 22.3.11.2:

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 between participating beamformees. The method used by the beamformer to calculate the steering matrix  $Q_k$   
 is implementation specific.

10 55. Defendant has been and is now indirectly infringing at least one claim  
 11 of the '231 Patent in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) in this district and  
 12 elsewhere in the United States. More specifically, Defendant has been and is now  
 13 actively inducing direct infringement by other persons (e.g., Defendant's customers  
 14 who use, sell, or offer for sale the Accused Products).

15 56. By at least the citation during the prosecution of U.S. Patent No.  
 16 7,877,113 and the filing and service of the original Complaint on April 19, 2017,  
 17 and May 3, 2017, respectively, Defendant had knowledge of the '231 Patent, and  
 18 that its actions resulted in a direct infringement of the '231 Patent. Defendant also  
 19 knew or was willfully blind that its actions would induce direct infringement by  
 20 others and intended that its actions would induce direct infringement by others.

21 57. Defendant actively induced, and continues to induce, such infringement  
 22 by, among other things, providing user manuals and other instruction material for its  
 23 Accused Products that induce its customers to use the Accused Products in their  
 24 normal and customary way to infringe the '231 Patent. For example, Defendant's  
 25 website provided, and continues to provide, instructions for using the Accused  
 26 Products on wireless communication systems, and to utilize their beamforming and  
 27 MU-MIMO functionalities. Defendant sold, and continues to sell, for example, on  
 28 Amazon.com, the Accused Products to customers despite its knowledge of the '231



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1 Patent. Defendant manufactured and imported into the United States, and continues  
2 to do so, the Accused Products for sale and distribution to its customers, despite its  
3 knowledge of the '231 Patent. Through its continued manufacture, importation, and  
4 sales of its Accused Products, Defendant specifically intended for its customers to  
5 infringe claims of the '231 Patent. Further, Defendant was aware that these normal  
6 and customary activities would infringe the '231 Patent. Defendant performed, and  
7 continues to perform, acts that constitute induced infringement, and that would  
8 induce actual infringement, with knowledge of the '231 Patent and with the  
9 knowledge or willful blindness that the induced acts would constitute direct  
10 infringement.

11 58. Accordingly, a reasonable inference is that Defendant specifically  
12 intended for others, such as its customers, to directly infringe one or more claims of  
13 the '231 Patent in the United States because Defendant had knowledge of the '231  
14 Patent and actively induced others (e.g., its customers) to directly infringe the '231  
15 Patent by using, selling, or offering to sell the Accused Products and the MU-MIMO  
16 functionality within the Accused Products.

17 59. Defendant also infringes other claims of the '231 Patent, directly and  
18 through inducing infringement, for similar reasons as explained above with respect  
19 to Claim 1.

20 60. The '231 Patent is valid and enforceable.

21 61. Defendant's infringement of the '231 Patent has damaged Vivato, and  
22 Defendant is liable to Vivato in an amount to be determined at trial that compensates  
23 Vivato for the infringement, which by law can be no less than a reasonable royalty.

24 62. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '231 Patent, Vivato has  
25 suffered irreparable harm and will continue to suffer loss and injury.

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**VII. WILLFUL INFRINGEMENT**

63. Defendant has knowledge of the patents-in-suit by at least the citation of the application that led to Vivato's '231 Patent during the prosecution of Defendant's U.S. Patent No. 7,877,113, "Transmission parameter control for an antenna apparatus with selectable elements." On October 17, 2008, Defendant cited to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Application Publication No. 2002/0158801A1 to Crilly, which is the application that led to Vivato's '231 Patent. Vivato's '231 Patent, however, had already issued on August 26, 2003. Accordingly, a reasonable inference is that Defendant had knowledge of the '231 Patent, and its issued claims, by at least as early as October 17, 2008. Defendant also had knowledge of the '296 Patent because that patent was issued on June 13, 2006, before Defendant's citation of the '231 Patent, and was assigned to the same assignee (Vivato, Inc.) as the '231 Patent and covered the same beamforming and MU-MIMO technologies as the '231 Patent. Defendant also had knowledge of the '728 Patent because its patent application was published on October 26, 2006, before Defendant's citation of the '231 Patent, and was assigned to Vivato, Inc., and covered the same beamforming and MU-MIMO technologies as the '231 Patent. Because of this commonality between the '231 Patent and the '296 and '728 Patents, Defendants knew, or should have known, about Plaintiff's '296 and '728 Patents. Further, by at least the filing and service of the original Complaint on April 19, 2017, and May 3, 2017, respectively, Defendant had knowledge of the patents-in-suit.

64. Despite such knowledge, Defendant infringed and continues to infringe the patents-in-suit with full and complete knowledge of their applicability to Defendant's MU-MIMO products without taking a license and without a good faith belief that the patents-in-suit are invalid and not infringed. Defendant's infringement of the patents-in-suit occurred, and continues to occur, with knowledge of infringement and/or objective recklessness. Defendant's infringement was, and continues to be, willful and deliberate. For example, Defendant sold, and continues

1 to sell its Accused Products (e.g., its ZoneFlex R710 on Amazon.com, attached  
2 hereto as Exhibit M) to customers despite Defendant's knowledge of the patents-in-  
3 suit. Defendant also manufactured and imported into the United States, and  
4 continues to do so, the Accused Products for sale and distribution to its customers,  
5 despite its knowledge of the patents-in-suit.

6 65. Defendant also actively induced, and continues to induce, its customers  
7 to infringe the patents-in-suit by, among other things, providing user manuals and  
8 other instruction material for its Accused Products that induce its customers to use  
9 the Accused Products in their normal and customary way to infringe the patents-in-  
10 suit. For example, Defendant's website provided, and continues to provide,  
11 instructions for using the Accused Products on wireless communication systems, and  
12 to utilize their beamforming and MU-MIMO functionalities. Through its continued  
13 manufacture, importation, and sales of its Accused Products, Defendant specifically  
14 intended, and continues to intend, for its customers to infringe claims of the patents-  
15 in-suit, despite Defendant's knowledge of the patents-in-suit.

16 66. Defendant's infringement of the patents-in-suit is egregious because  
17 despite its knowledge of the '231 Patent, Defendant deliberately copied the  
18 innovation claimed in the '231 Patent and implemented that patented innovation in  
19 its Accused Products. Further, despite Defendant's knowledge of the patents-in-suit,  
20 Defendant sold, offered for sale, manufactured, and imported, the Accused  
21 Products—and continues to do so—without investigating the scope of the '231  
22 Patent (or the other patents-in-suit) and without forming a good-faith belief that its  
23 Accused Products do not infringe or that the patents-in-suit are invalid. Defendant  
24 has not taken any steps to remedy its infringement of the patents-in-suit (e.g., by  
25 removing the Accused Products from its sales channels); but instead, continues to  
26 sell its Accused Products to customers, such as its continued sale of its ZoneFlex  
27 R710 on Amazon.com. Defendant's behavior is egregious because it engaged in  
28 misconduct beyond that of typical infringement. For example, in a typical

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1 infringement, an infringer would investigate the scope of the asserted patents and  
2 develop a good-faith belief that it does not infringe the asserted patents or that the  
3 asserted patents are invalid before selling (or continuing to sell) its accused products.  
4 An infringer would also remove its accused products from its sales channels and  
5 discontinue further sales.

6 67. Thus, Defendant’s infringement of the patents-in-suit is willful and  
7 deliberate, entitling Vivato to increased damages under 35 U.S.C. § 284 and to  
8 attorneys’ fees and costs incurred in prosecuting this action under 35 U.S.C. § 285.

9 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

10 WHEREFORE, Vivato prays for the following relief:

11 (a) A judgment in favor of Vivato that Defendant has infringed and is  
12 infringing U.S. Patent Nos. 7,062,296, 7,729,728, and 6,611,231;

13 (b) An award of damages to Vivato arising out of Defendant’s infringement  
14 of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,062,296, 7,729,728, and 6,611,231, including enhanced  
15 damages pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284, together with prejudgment and post-judgment  
16 interest, in an amount according to proof;

17 (c) An award of an ongoing royalty for Defendant’s post-judgment  
18 infringement in an amount according to proof;

19 (d) Declaring that Defendant’s infringement is willful and that this is an  
20 exceptional case under 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding attorneys’ fees and costs in  
21 this action.

22 (e) Granting Vivato its costs and further relief as the Court may deem just  
23 and proper.

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**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Vivato demands a trial by jury of any and all issues triable of right before a jury.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 29, 2018

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