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21 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
22 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

23 BELL NORTHERN RESEARCH,
24 LLC,

25 Plaintiff,

26 v.

27 HUAWEI DEVICE (DONGGUAN)
28 CO., LTD., HUAWEI DEVICE
CO., LTD., and
HUAWEI DEVICE USA, INC.,
Defendants.

C.A. No. 3:18-cv-1784-CAB-BLM

SECOND AMENDED
COMPLAINT FOR PATENT
INFRINGEMENT

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Judge: Hon. Cathy Ann Bencivengo

Courtroom: 4C

SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT¹

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2 Plaintiff Bell Northern Research, LLC (“BNR”) as and for its second amended
3 complaint against Huawei Device (Dongguan) Co., Ltd., Huawei Device (Shenzhen)
4 Co., Ltd., and Huawei Device USA, Inc. (together, “Huawei” or “Defendant”) alleges
5 as follows:

6 **PARTIES**

7 1. Bell Northern Research, LLC is a Delaware limited liability company with a
8 principal place of business of 401 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

9 2. On information and belief, Defendant Huawei Device (Dongguan) Co., Ltd.
10 is a company organized under the laws of the People’s Republic of China, with a
11 principal place of business at Nanfang Factory B2-5, No. 2 Xincheng Road, Songshan
12 Lake Science and Technology Industrial Zone, Dongguan, Guangdong, China 523808
13 China. Huawei Device (Dongguan) Co., Ltd. can be served with process in
14 accordance with the California Long Arm Statute.

15 3. On information and belief, Defendant Huawei Device (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.
16 is with a principal place of business at Building 2, Section B, Huawei Industrial Base,
17 Bantian, Longgang District, Shenzhen, Guangdong 518129 China. Huawei Device
18 (Shenzhen) Co, Ltd. can be served with process in accordance with the California
19 Long Arm Statute.

20 4. On information and belief, Defendant Huawei Device USA, Inc. is a
21 company organized under the laws of the state of Texas, with a principal place of
22 business at 5700 Tennyson Parkway, Suite 600, Plano, Texas 75024. Huawei Device
23 USA, Inc. may be served through its registered agent for service of process, CT
24 Corporation System, 818 West Seventh Street, Suite 930, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

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¹ This Amended Complaint is filed pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(1)(B).

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

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2 5. This action arises under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the
3 United States Code. Accordingly, this Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28
4 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

5 6. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because Defendant has,
6 directly or through intermediaries, committed acts within California giving rise to this
7 action and/or have established minimum contacts with California such that the
8 exercise of jurisdiction would not offend traditional notions of fair play and
9 substantial justice.

10 7. Defendant has placed, and continues to place, infringing products into the
11 stream of commerce, via an established distribution channel, with the knowledge
12 and/or understanding that such products are sold in the State of California, including
13 in this District.

14 8. Defendant has derived substantial revenues from its infringing acts
15 occurring within the State of California and within this District.

16 9. Venue is proper as to Huawei Device (Dongguan) Co., Ltd. under 28 U.S.C.
17 § 1391(c)(3) in that it is not a resident of the United States and may, therefore, be sued
18 in any judicial district. *Brunette Mach. Works, Ltd. v. Kockum Indus., Inc.*, 406 U.S.
19 706, 714 (1972).

20 10. Venue is proper as to Huawei Device (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd. under 28 U.S.C.
21 § 1391(c)(3) in that it is not a resident of the United States and may, therefore, be sued
22 in any judicial district. *Brunette Mach. Works, Ltd. v. Kockum Indus., Inc.*, 406 U.S.
23 706, 714 (1972).

24 11. Venue is proper as to Huawei Device USA, Inc. under 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b)
25 because Huawei Device USA, Inc. has committed acts of infringement in this District
26 and has a regular and established place of business within this District. *TC Heartland*
27 *LLC v. Kraft Foods Grp. Brands LLC*, 137 S. Ct. 1514, 1521 (2017). Specifically, in
28 seeking a motion to transfer venue, an employee for Huawei Device USA, Inc.

1 attested under penalty of perjury that Huawei Device USA, Inc. employs over 60
2 people in its office in San Diego, California, and those employees are involved in
3 smartphone technology research and development. *See* Dkt. 36-3 at ¶¶ 5, 7,
4 Declaration of Yao Wang in Support of Defendants’ Motion to Transfer Venue, *Agis*
5 *Software Dev., LLC v. Huawei Device USA Inc., et al.*, No. 2:17-cv-513-JRG (E.D.
6 Tex. Nov. 14, 2017) (Attached as **Exhibit A**).

7 **12.** Defendant has committed acts of infringement in this District giving rise to
8 this action and does business in this District, including making sales and/or providing
9 service and support for its respective customers in this District. Defendant
10 purposefully and voluntarily sold one or more of its infringing products with the
11 expectation that they would be purchased by consumers in this District. These
12 infringing products have been and continue to be purchased by consumers in this
13 District. Defendant has committed acts of patent infringement within the United
14 States, the State of California, and the Southern District of California.

15 **THE BNR PORTFOLIO**

16 **A. Bell Northern Research**

17 **13.** Bell Northern Research is the successor in interest to a key portfolio of
18 telecommunications-related intellectual property developed at leading telecom
19 innovators, such as Agere Systems Inc. (“Agere”), LSI Corporation (“LSI”), Renesas
20 Electronics Corporation, and Broadcom Corporation (“Broadcom”).

21 **14.** Key figures of BNR previously served in leadership roles within the
22 intellectual property departments of Agere, LSI, and Nortel Networks (US and
23 Canadian entities). They continued in similar roles with Rockstar Consortium, the
24 entity created by the winning bidders of Nortel’s bankruptcy patent auction, where
25 they managed Nortel’s former patent portfolio, a portfolio which many of them had
26 spent years developing and monetizing for Nortel.

27 **15.** BNR was formed in 2017 to manage a portfolio of telecommunication -
28 related intellectual property acquired from Broadcom.

1 **B. The BNR Portfolio**

2 16. The BNR portfolio comprises patents that reflect important developments in
3 telecommunications that were invented and refined by leading technology research
4 companies, including Agere, LSI, and Broadcom. These include U.S. Patent Nos.
5 7,319,889; 8,204,554; 7,990,842; 8,416,862; 7,957,450; 6,941,156; 8,792,432; and
6 7,039,435 (collectively, the “Asserted Patents”).

7 17. In 2002, Lucent Technologies, Inc., having its roots with Bell Laboratories
8 and AT&T Corporation, spun off Agere. Agere was merged into LSI in 2007, which
9 was in turn acquired by Avago Technologies (“Avago”) in 2014. In 2016, Avago
10 purchased Broadcom and assumed its name to become the current Broadcom Inc.

11 18. Portions of the BNR portfolio are presently licensed and/or were previously
12 licensed by leading technology companies.

13 **PATENT PROSECUTION AND EXAMINATION**

14 19. Examiners at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”)
15 review patent applications to determine whether a claimed invention should be
16 granted a patent. In general, the most important task of a patent examiner is to review
17 the technical information disclosed in a patent application and to compare it to the
18 state of the art. This involves reading and understanding a patent application, and then
19 searching the prior art to determine what technological contribution the application
20 teaches the public. A patent is a reward for informing the public about specific
21 technical details of a new invention. The work of a patent examiner includes
22 searching prior patents, scientific literature databases, and other resources for prior
23 art. Then, an examiner reviews the claims of the patent application substantively to
24 determine whether each complies with the legal requirements for granting of a patent.
25 A claimed invention must meet patentability requirements including statutory subject
26 matter, novelty, inventive step or non-obviousness, industrial application (or utility)
27 and sufficiency of disclosure, and examiners must apply federal laws (Title 35 of the
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1 United States Code), rules, judicial precedents, and guidance from agency
2 administrators.

3 20. All examiners must have a college degree in engineering or science.
4 Examiners are assigned to “Art Units,” typically groups of 8-15 Examiners in the
5 same area of technology. Thus, by way of required background and work experience,
6 Examiners have special knowledge and skill concerning the technologies examined by
7 them and in their particular Art Unit.

8 21. The basic steps of the examination consist of:

- 9 • reviewing patent applications to determine if they comply with basic
10 format, rules and legal requirements;
- 11 • determining the scope of the invention claimed by the inventor;
- 12 • searching for relevant technologies to compare similar prior inventions
13 with the invention claimed in the patent application; and
- 14 • communicating findings as to the patentability of an applicant's invention
15 via a written action to inventors/patent practitioners.

16 22. Communication of findings as to patentability are done by way of one or
17 more Office Actions in which the Examiner accepts or rejects proposed claims filed
18 by the applicant(s) and provides reasons for rejections. The applicant(s) are then
19 permitted to file a Response to Office Action, in which claims may be amended to
20 address issues raised by the Examiner, or the applicant states reasons why the
21 Examiner’s findings are incorrect. If an applicant disagrees with a Final Rejection by
22 an Examiner, the applicant may file an appeal with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board
23 (“PTAB”). If, after this process, the USPTO determines that the application meets all
24 requirements, a patent is duly allowed, and after an issue fee is paid, the patent is
25 issued.

26 23. A patent duly allowed and issued by the USPTO is presumptively valid and
27 becomes the property of the inventor(s) or assignee(s).
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1 24. A “Continuation Application” is one where, typically after allowance but in
2 any event prior to issuance, the inventor applies for a second, related patent. A
3 Continuation employs substantially the same invention disclosure as the previous,
4 allowed application, but seeks new or different claims.

5 **ASSERTED PATENTS**

6 **A. The Goris Patents**

7 25. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,319,889 (the “’889
8 patent”). The ’889 Patent is entitled “System and Method for Conserving Battery
9 Power in a Mobile Station.” The ’889 Patent issued on January 15, 2008. A true and
10 correct copy of the ’889 Patent is attached as **Exhibit B**.

11 26. BNR is also the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 8,204,554 (the
12 “’554 patent”). The ’554 Patent is entitled “System and Method for Conserving
13 Battery Power in a Mobile Station.” The ’554 Patent issued on June 19, 2012. A true
14 and correct copy of the ’554 Patent is attached as **Exhibit C**.

15 27. The inventors of the ’889 Patent and the ’554 Patent (collectively, the
16 “Goris Patents”) are Norman Goris and Wolfgang Scheit.

17 28. The ’889 Patent is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 7,113,811, filed on June
18 17, 2003. The ’554 Patent is a continuation of the ’889 Patent.

19 29. The Goris Patents generally relate to “mobile station[s]...having a reduced
20 power consumption under certain operating conditions.” Ex. B col. 1:14-17.

21 30. The claimed inventions in the Goris Patents are directed to methods and
22 systems that allow a mobile station, such as a cellular phone, to conserve power – for
23 example, to extend the amount of time for the station to operate on battery power.

24 31. The background sections of the Goris Patents describe the need for battery
25 power conservation:

26 Usually the stand-by time, as well as the talk-time, of a mobile station depend on
27 the lifetime of a (rechargeable) battery inserted within the mobile station and
28 hence, on the load and/or on the capacity of the battery...Increasing of the
capacity of the battery would increase the lifetime of the mobile station, but

1 batteries having increased capacities are often larger, heavier or more expensive,
2 none of which are desirable attributes for a portable, affordable mobile station.
3 Accordingly, what is needed in the art is a way to prolong the lifetime of a
4 mobile station without having to use a battery with an increased capacity.

5 Ex. B col. 1:27-37; Ex. C col. 1:27-37.

6 32. The Goris Patents describe the reduced power consumption resulting from
7 the invention. For example:

8 Thus, by reducing the power consumption of the display of an activated
9 telephone set in case the display is not needed, i.e., in particular during a
10 telephone call, current is saved instead of needlessly consumed from the
11 (rechargeable) battery. Accordingly, the spared available battery power may be
12 significant, especially for color displays, resulting in an overall increasement of
13 the stand-by and/or talk time of the telephone set.

14 Ex. B col. 1:47-54; Ex. C col. 1:48-55.

15 33. Reducing a device's power consumption is increasingly important and
16 beneficial, as the devices on the market continue to grow in complexity and
17 functionality, demanding more and more power to operate their various features,
18 including audiovisual and connectivity tasks.

19 34. The preferred embodiments of the invention "are adapted to switch-off the
20 display [of a telephone set] in response to a detection that the set...is attached near to
21 an object, in particular to the ear." Ex. A col. 1:55-58; Ex. B. col. 1:56-69.

22 35. The '889 Patent contains two independent claims and thirteen total claims,
23 covering various methods and systems. Claim 1 reads:

24 A mobile station, comprising:

25 a display;

26 a proximity sensor adapted to generate a signal indicative of proximity of
27 an external object; and

28 a microprocessor adapted to:

1 (a) determine whether a telephone call is active;

2 (b) receive the signal from the proximity sensor; and

3 (c) reduce power to the display if (i) the microprocessor determines
4 that a telephone call is active and (ii) the signal indicates the
5 proximity of the external object; wherein:

6 the telephone call is a wireless telephone call;

7 the microprocessor reduces power to the display while the signal
8 indicates the proximity of the external object only if the
9 microprocessor determines that the wireless telephone call is active;
10 and

11 the proximity sensor begins detecting whether an external object is
12 proximate substantially concurrently with the mobile station
13 initiating an outgoing wireless telephone call or receiving an
incoming wireless telephone call.

14 36. The '554 Patent contains three independent claims and fourteen total claims,
15 covering various methods and systems. Claim 1 reads:

16 A mobile station, comprising:

17 a display;

18 a proximity sensor adapted to generate a signal indicative of the existence
19 of a first condition, the first condition being that an external object is
20 proximate; and

21 a microprocessor adapted to:

22 (a) determine, without using the proximity sensor, the existence of
23 a second condition independent and different from the first
24 condition, the second condition being that a user of the mobile
25 station has performed an action to initiate an outgoing call or to
answer an incoming call;

26 (b) in response to a determination in step (a) that the second
27 condition exists, activate the proximity sensor;

28 (c) receive the signal from the activated proximity sensor; and

1 (d) reduce power to the display if the signal from the activated
2 proximity sensor indicates that the first condition exists.

3 37. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the Goris Patents comprise
4 various elements, including, e.g., a display, a proximity sensor, and a microprocessor
5 adapted to determine whether a telephone call is active, receive signals from the
6 proximity sensor, and reduce power to the display under certain conditions. These
7 claims, as a whole, provide significant benefits and improvements to reduce a mobile
8 station's power consumption, relative to the prior art.

9 38. The examination of the '889 Patent required over a year and a half, from the
10 date of the filing of the patent application on September 6, 2006, through the issue
11 date of January 15, 2008.

12 39. Two Patent Examiners were involved in examining the application that
13 matured into the '889 Patent, namely, Examiner Kamran Afshar and Examiner
14 George Eng.

15 40. Although the publicly available prosecution history of the '889 Patent does
16 not contain a complete summary of various patent examiner searches, it indicates that
17 Examiner Afshar conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the patent
18 examiner system Examiner Automated Search Tool ("EAST"), and performed
19 searches on at least January 17, January 29, June 25, July 19, September 24, and
20 October 11, 2007. The Patent Examiners formally cited at least five separate
21 references during the prosecution of the '889 Patent.

22 41. Between the prior art references located by and cited by the Patent
23 Examiners, and the references submitted by the applicants and considered by the
24 Patent Examiners during the prosecution of the '889 Patent, at least 24 patent
25 references were formally considered by the Patent Examiners, as indicated on the
26 front two pages of the issued '889 Patent.

27 42. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
28 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the Patent

1 Examiners is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
2 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
3 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
4 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

5 43. On October 11, 2007, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to all of
6 claims 1-13 presently in the '889 Patent.

7 44. The issued claims from the '889 Patent are patentably distinct from the at
8 least 24 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the
9 14 claims, as a whole—which include, e.g., a display, a proximity sensor, and a
10 microprocessor adapted to determine whether a telephone call is active, receive
11 signals from the proximity sensor, and reduce power to the display under certain
12 conditions—were found to be patentably distinct from at least the 24 formally
13 identified references.

14 45. The references cited during the examination of the '889 Patent all represent
15 patentably distinct and in some instances prior art means or methods to reduce power
16 consumption by a device. By allowing the claims of the '889 Patent, each of the
17 claims in the '889 Patent, as a whole was shown to be inventive, novel, and
18 innovative over at least the 24 formally identified references.

19 46. As each claim as a whole from the '889 Patent is inventive, novel, and
20 innovative as compared to several specific patents and other publications, each claim
21 as a whole, constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
22 conventional activities.

23 47. As of July 18, 2018, the '889 Patent or one of its family members has been
24 cited as pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the
25 prosecution of at least 45 issued patents and published applications—including during
26 the prosecution of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as
27 Motorola, LGE, Qualcomm, Apple, Kyocera, Samsung, Lenovo, and Mediatek.
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1 48. The '889 patent claims priority to no later than June 17, 2003. The
2 technology disclosed and claimed in the '889 Patent was not then well-understood,
3 routine or conventional because the prior art did not teach reducing battery usage for
4 an electronic device by using a proximity sensor to reduce power consumption by the
5 display during a phone call. To the contrary, the technology claimed in the '889 Patent
6 was well ahead of the state of the art at the time of the invention because it presented a
7 way for device manufacturers and their contractors to prolong the life of a mobile
8 station without having to use a battery with an increased capacity.

9 49. The examination of the '554 Patent required over four and a half years, from
10 the date of the filing of the patent application on November 27, 2007, through the
11 issue date of June 19, 2012.

12 50. Two Patent Examiners were involved in examining the application that
13 matured into the '554 Patent, namely, Examiner Kamran Afshar and Examiner Kathy
14 Wang-Hurst.

15 51. Although the publicly available prosecution history of the '554 Patent does
16 not contain a complete summary of various patent examiner searches, it indicates that
17 Examiner Afshar conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the patent
18 examiner system Examiner Automated Search Tool ("EAST"), and performed
19 searches on at least April 21 and December 21, 2010. It also shows that Examiner
20 Wang-Hurst conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the EAST system
21 on at least July 28 and December 11, 2011; and February 16 and 17, 2012. The Patent
22 Examiners formally cited at least 4 separate references during the prosecution of the
23 '554 Patent.

24 52. Between the prior art references located by and cited by the Patent
25 Examiners, and the references submitted by the applicants and considered by the
26 Patent Examiners during the prosecution of the '554 Patent, at least 38 patent
27 references and 9 non-patent references were formally considered by the Patent
28 Examiners, as indicated on the front two pages of the issued '554 Patent.

1 53. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
2 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the Patent
3 Examiners is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
4 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
5 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
6 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

7 54. On February 23, 2012, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to all of
8 claims 1-14 presently in the '554 Patent.

9 55. The issued claims from the '554 Patent are patentably distinct from the at
10 least 47 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the
11 14 claims, as a whole—which include, e.g., a display, a proximity sensor, and a
12 microprocessor adapted to determine whether a telephone call is active, receive
13 signals from the proximity sensor, and reduce power to the display under certain
14 conditions —were found to be patentably distinct from at least the 47 formally
15 identified references.

16 56. The references cited during the examination of the '554 Patent all represent
17 patentably distinct and in some instances prior art means or methods to reduce power
18 consumption by a device. By allowing the claims of the '554 Patent, each of the
19 claims in the '554 Patent, as a whole was shown to be inventive, novel, and
20 innovative over at least the 47 formally identified references.

21 57. As each claim as a whole from the '554 Patent is inventive, novel, and
22 innovative as compared to several specific patents and other publications, each claim
23 as a whole, constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
24 conventional activities.

25 58. As of July 18, 2018, the '554 Patent or one of its family members has been
26 cited as pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the
27 prosecution of at least 45 issued patents and published applications—including during
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1 the prosecution of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as
2 Motorola, LGE, Qualcomm, Apple, Kyocera, Samsung, Lenovo, and Mediatek.

3 59. The '554 patent claims priority to no later than June 17, 2003. The
4 technology disclosed and claimed in the '554 Patent was not then well-understood,
5 routine or conventional because the prior art did not teach reducing battery usage for
6 an electronic device by using a proximity sensor to reduce power consumption by the
7 display during a phone call. To the contrary, the technology claimed in the '554 Patent
8 was well ahead of the state of the art at the time of the invention because it presented a
9 way for device manufacturers and their contractors to prolong the life of a mobile
10 station without having to use a battery with an increased capacity.

11 **B. The Wireless Computer Networking Patents**

12 1) Overview of U.S. Patent No. 7,990,842

13 60. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,990,842 (the "'842
14 Patent"). The '842 Patent is entitled "Backward-Compatible Long Training Sequences
15 for Wireless Communication Networks." The '842 Patent issued on August 2, 2011.
16 A true and correct copy of the '842 Patent is attached as **Exhibit D**.

17 61. The inventors of the '842 Patent are Jason Trachewsky and Rajendra
18 Moorti.

19 62. The '842 Patent is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 7,646,703 filed on July
20 26, 2005.

21 63. The '842 Patent claims priority to at least Provisional Application Nos.
22 60/591,104 filed on July 27, 2004, and 60/634,102 filed on December 8, 2004.

23 64. The '842 Patent is generally related to wireless communication systems. In
24 particular, the '842 Patent is concerned with the 802.11 standard and helping ensure
25 backward compatibility with prior versions of that standard. The specification
26 explains that:

27 Different wireless devices in a wireless communication system may be
28 compliant with different standards or different variations of the same standard.

1 For example, 802.11a an extension of the 802.11 standard, provides up to 54
2 Mbps in the 5 GHz band. 802.11b, another extension of the 802.11 standard,
3 provides 11 Mbps transmission (with a fallback to 5.5, 2 and 1 Mbps) in the 2.4
4 GHz band. 802.11g, another extension of the 802.11 standard, provides 20+
5 Mbps in the 2.4 GHz band. 802.11n, a new extension of 802.11, is being
6 developed to address, among other [*sic*] thins, higher throughput and
7 compatibility issues. An 802.11a compliant communications device may reside
8 in the same WLAN as a device that is compliant with another 802.11 standard.
9 When devices that are compliant with multiple versions of the 802.11 standard
10 are in the same WLAN, the devices that are compliant with older versions are
11 considered to be legacy devices. To ensure backward compatibility with legacy
12 devices, specific mechanisms must be employed to insure that the legacy
13 devices know when a device that is compliant with a newer version of the
14 standard is using a wireless channel to avoid a collision.

15 New implementations of wireless communication protocol enable higher speed
16 throughput, while also enabling legacy devices which might be only compliant
17 with 802.11a or 802.11g to communicate in Systems which are operating at
18 higher speeds.

19 ‘842 Patent at Col. 1:50-2:7.

20 65. The 802.11a and 802.11g standard utilize what is known as the orthogonal
21 frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) encoding scheme. “OFDM is a frequency
22 division multiplexing modulation technique for transmitting large amounts of digital
23 data over a radio wave” and works by spreading a single data stream over a band of
24 Sub-carriers, each of which is transmitted in parallel.” ’842 Patent at Col. 2:10-15.

25 66. The 802.11 standard includes “training sequences” that synchronize data
26 transfer between a wireless sender and a receiver.

27 67. The background section of the ’842 Patent specifies the “need to create a
28 long training sequence of minimum peak-to-average ratio that uses more Sub-carriers
without interfering with adjacent channels.” ’842 Patent at Col. 2:37-39.

68. The ’842 Patent teaches a long training sequence of minimum peak-to-
average power ratio that is usable by “legacy devices in order to estimate channel
impulse response and to estimate carrier frequency offset between a transmitter and a
receiver.” ’842 Patent at Col. 2:39-43.

1 69. One important technical advance and improvement offered by the inventive
2 expanded long training sequence of minimum peak-to-average power ratio is
3 “decrease[d] power back-off” (’842 Patent at Col. 4:4-6), which is the reduction of
4 output power when reducing the input power. The invention may also “be used by
5 802.11a or 802.11g devices for estimating the channel impulse response and by a
6 receiver for estimating the carrier frequency offset between the transmitter clock and
7 receiver clock.” ’842 Patent at Col. 4:6-10. Further, the invention contributes to
8 higher data throughput by carrying data on multiple subcarriers.

9 70. The ’842 Patent contains one independent claim and 20 total claims,
10 covering various apparatuses. Claim 1 reads:

11 A wireless communications device, comprising:

12 a signal generator that generates an extended long training sequence; and

13 an Inverse Fourier Transformer operatively coupled to the signal generator,

14 wherein the Inverse Fourier Transformer processes the extended long training
15 sequence from the signal generator and provides an optimal extended long
16 training sequence with a minimal peak-to-average ratio, and

17 wherein at least the optimal extended long training sequence is carried by a
18 greater number of Subcarriers than a standard wireless networking configuration
19 for an Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing scheme.

20 71. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the ’842 Patent comprise
21 various elements, including, e.g., a signal generator and an Inverse Fourier
22 Transformer. This claim, as a whole, provides significant benefits and improvements
23 discussed previously that directly impact and improve interoperability with devices
24 operating on legacy versions of the 802.11 standard, relative to the prior art.

25 72. The examination of the ’842 Patent took nearly a year and a half, from the
26 filing of the patent application on January 8, 2010, through the issue date of August 2,
27 2011.

1 73. The publicly available prosecution history for the '842 Patent indicates that
2 a single patent examiner was involved in examining the application that matured into
3 the '842 Patent, namely, Examiner Andrew Lee.

4 74. Between any prior art references located by the Patent Examiner, and the
5 references submitted by the applicants and considered by the Patent Examiner during
6 the prosecution of the '842 Patent, at least 10 patent references were formally
7 considered by the Patent Examiner, as indicated on the front page of the issued '842
8 Patent.

9 75. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
10 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the
11 Applicants is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
12 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
13 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
14 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

15 76. On or about April 18, 2011, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to
16 all of claims 1-20 presently in the '842 Patent.

17 77. The issued claims from the '842 Patent are patentably distinct from the
18 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the claims,
19 as a whole were found to be patentably distinct from the formally identified
20 references.

21 78. The references cited during the examination of the '842 Patent all represent
22 patentably distinct and in some instances may constitute prior art means or methods
23 for synchronizing data transfer in wireless devices. By allowing the claims of the '842
24 Patent, each of the claims in the '842 Patent, as a whole, was shown to be inventive,
25 novel, and innovative over at least the 10 formally identified references.

26 79. As each claim as a whole from the '842 Patent is inventive, novel, and
27 innovative as compared to the specified patents and other publications, each claim, as
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1 a whole constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
2 conventional activities.

3 80. As of July 23, 2018, the '842 Patent has been cited as pertinent prior art by a
4 USPTO examiner or an applicant during the prosecution of at least 3 issued patents
5 and published applications—including during the prosecution of patent applications
6 filed by leading technology companies such as Samsung.

7 81. The '842 patent claims priority to provisional applications filed on July 27,
8 2004 and December 8, 2004. The technology disclosed and claimed in the '842 Patent
9 was not then well-understood, routine or conventional. The invention allows higher
10 throughput by increasing data transmitted by a wireless device, which translates to
11 faster file transfers for end users.

12 2) Overview of U.S. Patent No. 8,416,862

13 82. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 8,416,862 (the "'862
14 patent"). The '862 Patent is entitled "Efficient Feedback of Channel Information in a
15 Closed Loop Beamforming Wireless Communication System." The '862 Patent
16 issued on April 9, 2013. A true and correct copy of the '862 Patent is attached as
17 **Exhibit E.**

18 83. The inventors of the '862 patent are Carlos Aldana and Joonsuk Kim.

19 84. The '862 Patent is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent 7,738,583, filed on
20 June 28, 2005. The '862 also claims priority to no later than the Provisional
21 Application Nos. 60/673,451, filed on April 21, 2005 and 60/698,686, filed on July
22 13, 2005.

23 85. The '862 Patent is generally related to wireless communication systems and
24 more particularly to wireless communications using beamforming. See '862 Patent at
25 Col. 1:19–22.

26 86. The description of related art section of the patent identifies that, to properly
27 implement beamforming, the transmitter must know the properties of the channel over
28 which the wireless communication is conveyed. *See* '862 Patent at Col. 3:14–25.

1 Further, the size of the feedback information required to be sent back to the
2 transmitting wireless device may be so large that the channel may change before the
3 entire feedback information is received by the transmitter. *See* '862 Patent at Col.
4 3:14–25. One approach is to decompose the channel and send information only
5 relating to a calculated value of the transmitter's beamforming matrix as the feedback
6 information, but under this approach, even in a 2x2 MIMO wireless communication
7 system, the data is still too large for practical application. *See* '862 Patent at Col.
8 3:27–47.

9 87. Thus, the '862 patent identifies a need “for a method and apparatus for
10 reducing beamforming feedback information in wireless communications.” *See* '862
11 Patent at Col. 3:49–51.

12 88. The claimed inventions in the '862 Patent are directed to improved
13 efficiencies in transmitting feedback of transmitter beamforming information,
14 particularly using polar coordinates. *See* '862 Patent, Col. 15:34–16:6. One of the
15 important technical advantages and improvements offered by the inventive, improved
16 feedback transmission is a decrease in the amount of data required to send the
17 feedback information to the transmitting wireless transmitter. *See id.*

18 89. The '862 Patent contains three independent claims and twenty total claims,
19 covering various methods and systems. Claim 1 reads:

20 A method for feeding back transmitter beamforming information from a
21 receiving wireless communication device to a transmitting wireless
22 communication device, the method comprising:

23 the receiving wireless communication device receiving a preamble sequence
24 from the transmitting wireless device;

25 the receiving wireless device estimating a channel response based upon the
26 preamble sequence;

27 the receiving wireless device determining an estimated transmitter
28 beamforming unitary matrix (V) based upon the channel response and a
receiver beamforming unitary matrix (U);

1 the receiving wireless device decomposing the estimated transmitter
2 beamforming unitary matrix (V) to produce the transmitter beamforming
3 information; and

4 the receiving wireless device wirelessly sending the transmitter
5 beamforming information to the transmitting wireless device.

6 90. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the '862 Patent comprise
7 various elements, including, e.g., a receiving wireless device capable of determining
8 an estimated transmitter beamforming unitary matrix, decomposing an estimated
9 transmitter beamforming unitary matrix to produce transmitter beamforming
10 information, and the ability to send the transmitter beamforming information to the
11 transmitting wireless device. This claim, as a whole, provides significant benefits and
12 improvements discussed previously that directly impact the ability to efficiently
13 transmit beamforming feedback information to the transmitting wireless device,
14 relative to the prior art.

15 91. The examination of the '862 Patent required over seven and a half years,
16 from the date of the filing of the patent application on September 28, 2005, through
17 the issue date of April 9, 2013.

18 92. Two Patent Examiners were involved in examining the application that
19 matured into the '862 Patent, namely, Examiner Shuwang Liu and Examiner Michael
20 Neff.

21 93. Although the publicly available prosecution history of the '862 Patent does
22 not contain a complete summary of various patent examiner searches, it indicates that
23 Examiner Neff conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the patent
24 examiner system Examiner Automated Search Tool ("EAST"), and performed
25 searches on at least July 24-25, 2008, June 1, 2009, October 9, 2009, and December
26 17, 2012. The Patent Examiners formally cited at least 5 separate references during
27 the prosecution of the '862 Patent.
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1 94. Between the prior art references located by and cited by the Patent
2 Examiners, and the references submitted by the applicants and considered by the
3 Patent Examiners during the prosecution of the '862 Patent, at least 5 patent
4 references and 1 non-patent reference were formally considered by the Patent
5 Examiners, as indicated on the front page of the issued '862 Patent.

6 95. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
7 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the Patent
8 Examiners is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
9 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
10 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
11 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

12 96. On December 28, 2012, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to all
13 of claims 1-20 presently in the '862 Patent.

14 97. The issued claims from the '862 Patent are patentably distinct from the at
15 least 6 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the
16 20 claims, as a whole—which include, e.g., a receiving wireless device capable of
17 determining an estimated transmitter beamforming unitary matrix, decomposing an
18 estimated transmitter beamforming unitary matrix to produce transmitter
19 beamforming information, and the ability to send the transmitter beamforming
20 information to the transmitting wireless device—were found to be patentably distinct
21 from at least the 6 formally identified references.

22 98. The references cited during the examination of the '862 Patent all represent
23 patentably distinct and in some instances prior art means or methods to create focused
24 antenna beams by shifting a signal in time or phase to provide gain of the signal in a
25 desired direction and to attenuate the signal in other directions. *See* '862 Patent, Col.
26 2:66–3:13. By allowing the claims of the '862 Patent, each of the claims in the '862
27 Patent, as a whole was shown to be inventive, novel, and innovative over at least the 6
28 formally identified references.

1 99. As each claim as a whole from the '862 Patent is inventive, novel, and
2 innovative as compared to several specific patents and other publications, each claim
3 as a whole, constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
4 conventional activities.

5 100. As of July 18, 2018, the '862 Patent or one of its family members has been
6 cited as pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the
7 prosecution of at least 10 issued patents and published applications—including during
8 the prosecution of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as
9 LGE, Samsung, Texas Instruments, and Nokia.

10 101. The '862 patent claims priority to no later than April 21, 2005. The
11 technology disclosed and claimed in the '862 Patent was not then well-understood,
12 routine or conventional. To the contrary, the technology claimed in the '862 Patent—
13 namely, as discussed above, the ability to provide efficient (e.g. less data) feedback
14 for a channel during beamforming—was well ahead of the state of the art at the time of
15 the invention.

16 3) Overview of U.S. Patent No. 7,957,450

17 102. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,957,450 (the “’450
18 Patent”). The '450 Patent is entitled “Method and System for Frame Formats for
19 MIMO Channel Measurement Exchange.” The '450 Patent issued on August June 7,
20 2011. A true and correct copy of the '450 Patent is attached as **Exhibit F**.

21 103. The inventors of the '450 Patent are Christopher Hansen, Carlos Aldana, and
22 Joonsuk Kim.

23 104. The '450 Patent is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 7,564,914 filed on
24 February 7, 2005.

25 105. The '450 Patent claims priority to Provisional Application No. 60/636,255
26 filed on December 14, 2004.

27 106. The '450 Patent is generally related to “multiple antenna multiple output
28 (MIMO) systems... in which mobile terminals incorporate smart antenna systems

1 comprising multiple transmit antenna and multiple receive antenna. Col. 1:54-57. The
2 specification explains that “[s]ignal fading is a significant problem in wireless
3 communications systems, often leading to temporary loss of communications at mobile
4 terminals.” Col. 1:63-54.

5 107. The specification explains that “One of the most pervasive forms of fading is
6 known as multipath fading, in which dispersion of transmitted signals due to incident
7 reflections from buildings and other obstacles, results in multiple versions of the
8 transmitted signals arriving at a receiving mobile terminal. The multiple versions of the
9 transmitted signal may interfere with each other and may result in a reduced signal
10 level detected at the receiving mobile terminal. When versions of the transmitted signal
11 are 180° degree out of phase they may cancel each other such that a signal level of 0 is
12 detected. Locations where this occurs may correspond to ‘dead zones’ in which
13 communication to the wireless terminal is temporarily lost.” Col. 1:65-2:9.

14 108. “Another important type of fading is related to motion. When a transmitting
15 mobile terminal, or a receiving mobile terminal is in motion, the Doppler phenomenon
16 may affect the frequency of the received signal. The frequency of the received signal
17 may be changed by an amount which is a function of the velocity at which a mobile
18 terminal is moving. Because of the Doppler effect, ISI may result when a mobile
19 terminal is in motion, particularly when the mobile terminal is moving at a high
20 velocity.” Col. 2:34-37.

21 109. In order to improve signal reception and reduce interference, many certain
22 wireless communication devices utilize beamforming technology, whose aim is to
23 focus the transmission of wireless signals in a specific direction to improve reception.
24 Instead of broadcasting wireless signals uniformly in all directions, beamforming
25 devices attempt to direct wireless signals to specific devices to achieve a better signal
26 to noise ratio. *See* Col. 1:35-53.

27 110. “One of the challenges in beamforming is that the multiplicative scale
28 factors which are applied to transmitted and received signals may be dependent upon

1 the characteristics of the communications medium between the transmitting mobile
2 terminal and the receiving mobile terminal. A communications medium, such as a
3 radio frequency (RF) channel between a transmitting mobile terminal and a receiving
4 mobile terminal, may be represented by a transfer system function, H . The relationship
5 between a time varying transmitted signal, $x(t)$, a time varying received signal, $y(t)$,
6 and the systems function may be represented as shown in equation [1]: $y(t)=Hxx(t)+$
7 $n(t)$, where $n(t)$ represents noise which may be introduced as the signal travels through
8 the communications medium and the receiver itself. In MIMO systems, the elements in
9 equation[1] may be represented as vectors and matrices. If a transmitting mobile
10 terminal comprises M transmitting antenna, and a receiving mobile terminal comprises
11 N receiving antenna, then $y(t)$ may be represented by a vector of dimensions $N \times 1$, $x(t)$
12 may be represented by a vector of dimensions $M \times 1$, $n(t)$ by a vector of dimensions
13 $N \times 1$, and H may be represented by a matrix of dimensions $N \times M$. In the case of fast
14 fading, the transfer function, H , may itself become time varying and may thus also
15 become a function of time, $H(t)$. Therefore, individual coefficients, $h_{ij}(t)$, in the transfer
16 function $H(t)$ may become time varying in nature.” Col. 3:49-4:9.

17 111. Beamforming is challenging because focusing the transmission of wireless
18 signals must be adjusted as the relative positions of the transmitting and receiving
19 wireless device positions change relative to one another. Thus, information about the
20 RF channel used to transmit information must be adapted or else “information loss
21 between the transmitting mobile terminal and the receiving mobile terminal may
22 result.” Col. 4:22-24.

23 112. Existing methods and techniques, such as channel reciprocity, for estimating
24 RF channel characteristics were insufficient because “differences in the electronic
25 circuitry between the respective transmitting mobile terminal and receiving mobile
26 terminal such that, in some cases, there may not be channel reciprocity.” Col. 5:16:25.

27 113. The '450 addresses the shortcomings in the prior art by disclosing “a method
28 for communicating information in a communication system may comprise transmitting

1 data via a plurality of radio frequency (RF) channels utilizing a plurality of
2 transmitting antenna, receiving feedback information via at least one of the plurality of
3 RF channels, and modifying a transmission mode based on the feedback information.
4 Feedback information may be requested utilizing at least one of the plurality of
5 transmitting antenna via at least one of the plurality of RF channels. The number of
6 transmitting antenna utilized during the transmitting of data may be modified based on
7 the feedback information. The transmission characteristics of data transmitted via at
8 least one of the plurality of transmitting antenna may be modified based on the
9 feedback information. Specific feedback information may be requested in request
10 messages.” Col. 5:56-6:3.

11 114. Furthermore, the specification discloses that “a receiving mobile terminal
12 may perform a singular value decomposition (SVD) on the channel estimate matrix,
13 and subsequently transmit SVD-derived feedback information to the transmitting
14 mobile terminal. Utilizing SVD may increase the amount of computation required at
15 the receiving mobile terminal but may reduce the quantity of information which is
16 transmitted to the transmitting mobile terminal via the RF channel in comparison to
17 transmitting the entire channel estimate matrix.” Col. 8:1-10.

18 115. The ’450 Patent contains four independent claims and 22 total claims,
19 covering various methods and systems. Claim 1 reads:

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21 A method for communication, the method comprising:

22 computing a plurality of channel estimate matrices based on signals received by
23 a mobile terminal from a base station, via one or more downlink RF channels,
24 wherein said plurality of channel estimate matrices comprise coefficients
25 derived from performing a singular value matrix decomposition (SVD) on said
received signals; and

26 transmitting said coefficients as feedback information to said base station, via
27 one or more uplink RF channels.
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1 116. The examination of the '450 Patent took nearly two years, from the filing of
2 the patent application on July 20, 2009, through the issue date of June 7, 2011.

3 117. The publicly available prosecution history for the '450 Patent indicates that a
4 single patent examiner was involved in examining the application that matured into the
5 '450 Patent, namely, Examiner Khai Tran.

6 118. Between any prior art references located by the Patent Examiner, and the
7 references submitted by the applicants and considered by the Patent Examiner during
8 the prosecution of the '450 Patent, at least two patent references were formally
9 considered by the Patent Examiner, as indicated on the front page of the issued '450
10 Patent. Furthermore, Patent Office procedure dictate that for continuations, such as the
11 '450 Patent, the prior art of record from the examination of the parent patent is part of
12 the record in a continuation application. *See* Manual of Patent Examining Procedure
13 (“MPEP”) at §609.02 (8th ed., Rev. 7, July 2008) (“The examiner of the continuing
14 application will consider information which has been considered by the Office in the
15 parent application.”). Thus, the prior art considered in U.S. Patent No. 7,564,914 (the
16 parent of the '450 Patent) was also considered by the Examiner.

17 119. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
18 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the
19 Applicants is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
20 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
21 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
22 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

23 120. On or about December 27, 2010, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance
24 as to all of claims 1-22 presently in the '450 Patent.

25 121. The issued claims from the '450 Patent are patentably distinct from the
26 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the claims,
27 as a whole were found to be patentably distinct from the formally identified references.
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1 122. The references cited during the examination of the '450 Patent all represent
2 patentably distinct and in some instances may constitute prior art means or methods for
3 communicating information in wireless systems and devices. By allowing the claims of
4 the '450 Patent, each of the claims in the '450 Patent, as a whole, was shown to be
5 inventive, novel, and innovative over at least the formally identified references.

6 123. As each claim as a whole from the '450 Patent is inventive, novel, and
7 innovative as compared to the specified patents and other publications, each claim, as a
8 whole constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
9 conventional activities.

10 124. As of September 25, 2018, the '450 Patent has been cited as pertinent prior
11 art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the prosecution of at least two issued
12 patents and published applications—including during the prosecution of patent
13 applications filed by leading technology companies such as Sharp.

14 125. The '450 patent claims priority to at least once provisional application filed
15 on December 14, 2004.

16 126. The technology disclosed and claimed in the '450 Patent was not then well-
17 understood, routine or conventional. The invention allows for improved beamforming
18 in wireless communication devices, which translates to improved device performance
19 and information transfer for end users.

20 **C. The Wireless Switching Patent**

21 127. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 6,941,156 (the "'156
22 Patent"). The '156 Patent is entitled "Automatic Handoff for Wireless Piconet
23 Multimode Cell Phone." The '156 Patent issued on September 6, 2005. A true and
24 correct copy of the '156 Patent is attached as **Exhibit G**.

25 128. The inventor of the '156 patent is Philip D. Mooney.

26 129. The '156 Patent is generally related to the use of multimode cellular phones
27 and the ability to smoothly switch between two different modes of communication
28 operable on the cellular phone. *See* '156 Patent at Col. 1:5–61.

1 130. The description of related art section of the patent identifies that prior art
2 multimode cellphones required manual switching and interruption in the signal when
3 attempting to switch between the modes of the cellphone. See '156 Patent at Col.
4 1:32–48.

5 131. Thus, the '156 patent identifies a need for a cellular phone “which provides
6 smooth switchover and interaction between separate modes of operation.” See '156
7 Patent at Col. 1:46–48.

8 132. The claimed inventions in the '156 Patent are directed to improved methods
9 of switching between modes of operation in multimode cellular phones. See '156
10 Patent at Col. 1:46–48. One of the important technical advantages and improvements
11 offered by the inventive, improved switching is the automatic switching, including
12 establishing a second communications link while the first communications link is still
13 active whereas the prior art required the call to disconnect before switching modes.
14 See '156 Patent at Col. 1:50–2:5.

15 133. The '156 Patent contains three independent claims and nineteen total claims,
16 covering various methods and systems. Claim 1 reads:

17 A multimode cell phone, comprising:

18 a cell phone functionality; and

19 an RF communication functionality separate from said cell phone functionality;
20 a module to establish simultaneous communication paths from said multimode
21 cell phone using both said cell phone functionality and said RF communication
22 functionality; and

23 an automatic switch over module, in communication with both said cell phone
24 functionality and said RF communication functionality, operable to switch a
25 communication path established on one of said cell phone functionality and said
26 RF communication functionality, with another communication path later
27 established on the other of said cell phone functionality and said RF
28 communication functionality.

1 134. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the '156 Patent comprise
2 various elements, including, e.g., a multimode cellphone with cell phone and RF
3 communication functionality; a module to establish simultaneous communication
4 paths with both modes, and an automatic switchover module in communication with
5 both modes of communication functionality that can switch between the first
6 established communication path to the other communication path that exists in
7 parallel with the first. This claim, as a whole, provides significant benefits and
8 improvements discussed previously that directly impact the ability to switch between
9 two distinct RF communication paths of a cellphone device seamlessly and
10 automatically, relative to the prior art.

11 135. The examination of the '156 Patent required over four years, from the date
12 of the filing of the patent application on June 26, 2001, through the issue date of
13 September 6, 2005.

14 136. The Patent Examiner involved in examining the application that matured
15 into the '156 Patent was Examiner Bing Q. Bui.

16 137. Although the publicly available prosecution history of the '156 Patent does
17 not contain a complete summary of various patent examiner searches, it indicates that
18 Examiner Bui conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the patent
19 examiner system Examiner Automated Search Tool ("EAST"), and performed
20 searches on at least December 6, 2004. The Patent Examiner formally cited at least 9
21 separate references during the prosecution of the '156 Patent.

22 138. Between the prior art references located by and cited by the Patent
23 Examiner, and the references submitted by the applicants and considered by the Patent
24 Examiners during the prosecution of the '156 Patent, at least 9 were formally
25 considered by the Patent Examiner, as indicated on the front page of the issued '156
26 Patent.

27 139. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
28 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the Patent

1 Examiners is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
2 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
3 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
4 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

5 140. On April 26, 2005, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to all of
6 claims 1-19 presently in the '156 Patent.

7 141. The issued claims from the '156 Patent are patentably distinct from the at
8 least 9 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the
9 19 claims, as a whole—which include, e.g., a multimode cellphone with cell phone
10 and RF communication functionality; a module to establish simultaneous
11 communication paths with both modes, and an automatic switchover module in
12 communication with both modes of communication functionality that can switch
13 between the first established communication path to the other communication path
14 that exists in parallel with the first—were found to be patentably distinct from at least
15 the 9 formally identified references.

16 142. The references cited during the examination of the '156 Patent all represent
17 patentably distinct and in some instances prior art means or methods to manually
18 switch communication between two modes of a phone. *See* '156 Patent, Col. 1:13–45.
19 By allowing the claims of the '156 Patent, each of the claims in the '156 Patent, as a
20 whole was shown to be inventive, novel, and innovative over at least the 9 formally
21 identified references.

22 143. As each claim as a whole from the '156 Patent is inventive, novel, and
23 innovative as compared to several specific patents and other publications, each claim
24 as a whole, constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
25 conventional activities.

26 144. As of July 18, 2018, the '156 Patent or one of its family members has been
27 cited as pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the
28 prosecution of at least 25 issued patents and published applications—including during

1 the prosecution of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as
2 Motorola, AT&T, Nokia, Sprint, and Garmin.

3 145. The '156 patent claims priority to no later than June 26, 2001. The
4 technology disclosed and claimed in the '156 Patent was not then well-understood,
5 routine or conventional. To the contrary, the technology claimed in the '156 Patent—
6 namely, the automatic handoff of a call from one type of RF communication link to a
7 different type of RF communication link without dropping the call —was well ahead
8 of the state of the art at the time of the invention.

9 **D. The RACH Message Prioritization Patent**

10 146. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 8,792,432 (the “’432
11 Patent”). The '432 Patent is entitled “Prioritizing RACH Message Contents.” The
12 '432 Patent issued on July 29, 2014. A true and correct copy of the '432 Patent is
13 attached as **Exhibit H**.

14 147. The inventors of the '432 patent are Brian Martin and Keiichi Kubota.

15 148. The '432 Patent is generally related to wireless communication systems. In
16 particular, the '432 Patent is concerned with the portion of the 3GPP standard that
17 addresses Random Access Channel (“RACH”) procedures. RACH procedures are
18 used by various radio technologies for User Equipment (“UE”)—e.g., a mobile
19 device—to gain contention-based access to a network. *See* '432 Patent at Col. 1:5–9,
20 31-44.

21 149. The '432 Patent particularly addresses the prioritization of information sent
22 from a mobile device, e.g., a cellular phone, to a base station, e.g., a cell tower,
23 regarding the RACH characteristics of neighboring base stations. *See* '432 Patent at
24 Col. 1:58–2:44.

25 150. The background section of the patent identifies that prior art RACH
26 signaling did not generally allow for sufficient message space to include neighbor cell
27 measurements for both inter-frequency and intra-frequency cell neighbors, within the
28 constraints of a Radio Resource Control (“RRC”) connection request message. If

1 sufficient space were lacking, the default was to transmit only the inter-frequency
2 neighbor cell measurements, and to drop the information about intra-frequency
3 neighbor cell measurements, and other RACH message information, which otherwise
4 would have been included. This resulted in the cell network station not receiving
5 intra-frequency neighbor measurements or other information, even if that information
6 were more necessary and relevant for the cell station to receive. The patent
7 specifically identifies as deficient the current 3GPP standards in effect at the time. *See*
8 '432 Patent at Col. 2:7–44.

9 151. Thus, the '432 patent identifies a need to “allow the [mobile device] to
10 include neighbor cell measurements for both inter-frequency and intra-frequency
11 neighbors in its UL RACH message.” *See* '432 Patent at Col. 2:36–38.

12 152. The claimed inventions in the '432 Patent are directed to prioritization of
13 information transmitted from a user device to a base station in a RACH RRC
14 connection message, within the space constraints of that message. *See* '432 Patent at
15 Col. 1:58–2:44. One of the important technical advantages and improvements offered
16 by the inventive, improved prioritization is that the mobile device is enabled to
17 prioritize the content of the RRC connection request message more efficiently. The
18 invention also avoids network features being redundant, unusable, or unreliable, and
19 permits the RRC connection request to be used in future implementations of the 3GPP
20 standards. *See* '432 Patent at Col. 1:50–2:5.

21 153. The '432 Patent contains four independent claims and fourteen total claims,
22 covering various methods and systems. Claim 12 reads:

23 A method comprising:
24 receiving, by a user equipment, a broadcast indication indicating whether to
25 prioritize inter-frequency or intra-frequency neighbor cell measurements for
26 inclusion in an uplink connection request message to be sent on a random
27 access channel; and
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1 constructing the uplink connection request message which includes
2 measurements that are prioritized in accordance with the broadcast indication
3 so as not to exceed a maximum size of the uplink connection request message;

4 in which one value of the indication directs that the inter-frequency neighbor
5 cell measurements are prioritized over the intra-frequency neighbor cell
6 measurement results for inclusion in the uplink connection request message;
7 and a different value of the indication or omission of the indication directs
8 that the intra-frequency neighbor cell measurements are prioritized over the
9 inter-frequency neighbor cell measurements for inclusion in the uplink
10 connection request message, and

11 in which the indication is within an information element of system
12 information received on a broadcast channel from an access node of a
13 UTRAN or an E-UTRAN wireless system, and the uplink connection request
14 message is a Radio Resource Control Connection Request message.

15 154. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the '432 Patent comprise
16 various elements, including, e.g., receiving on a mobile device ("user equipment") a
17 broadcast indication indicating prioritization of neighbor cell measurements to be sent
18 on a RACH uplink message, and constructing the uplink connection message in
19 accordance with that prioritization. This claim, as a whole, provides significant
20 benefits and improvements discussed previously that directly impact the ability to
21 transmit neighbor cell measurements to a base station in accordance with network
22 priorities, while staying within the confines of the Radio Resource Control
23 Connection Request message.

24 155. The examination of the '432 Patent required over three years, from the filing
25 of the patent application on February 14, 2011, through the issue date of July 29,
26 2014.

27 156. Two Patent Examiners were involved in examining the application that
28 matured into the '432 Patent, namely, Examiner Andrew Lai and Assistant Examiner
Sumitra Ganguly.

157. Although the publicly available prosecution history of the '432 Patent does
not contain a complete summary of various patent examiner searches, it indicates that

1 the examiners conducted prior art and/or other searches using at least the patent
2 examiner system Examiner Automated Search Tool (“EAST”), and performed
3 searches on at least March 9, 2013 and October 2, 2013. The Patent Examiners
4 formally cited at least 13 separate references during the prosecution of the ’432
5 Patent.

6 158. Between the prior art references located by and cited by the Patent
7 Examiner, and the references submitted by the applicants and considered by the Patent
8 Examiners during the prosecution of the ’432 Patent, at least 13 were formally
9 considered by the Patent Examiner, including five U.S. patents, two foreign patents,
10 and six other publications, as indicated on the front page of the issued ’432 Patent.

11 159. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
12 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the Patent
13 Examiners is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
14 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
15 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
16 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

17 160. During the prosecution process, the USPTO rejected the application as being
18 anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,845,238 (Mueller), as well as being obvious over
19 Mueller in view of U.S. Patent Application 2008/0045213 (Norris).

20 161. On April 4, 2014, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance as to all of
21 claims 1-14 presently in the ’432 Patent.

22 162. The issued claims from the ’432 Patent are patentably distinct from the at
23 least 13 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the
24 14 claims, as a whole—which include, e.g., receiving on a mobile device a broadcast
25 indication indicating prioritization of neighbor cell measurements to be sent on a
26 RACH uplink message, and constructing the uplink connection message in
27 accordance with that prioritization—were found to be patentably distinct from at least
28 the 13 formally identified references.

1 163. The references cited during the examination of the '432 Patent all represent
2 patentably distinct and in some instances prior art means or methods to communicate
3 neighboring cell information. By allowing the claims of the '432 Patent, each of the
4 claims in the '432 Patent, as a whole was shown to be inventive, novel, and
5 innovative over at least the 13 formally identified references.

6 164. As each claim as a whole from the '432 Patent is inventive, novel, and
7 innovative as compared to several specific patents and other publications, each claim
8 as a whole, constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
9 conventional activities.

10 165. As of July 25, 2018, the '432 Patent, or one of its family members, has been
11 cited as pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the
12 prosecution of at least five issued patents or published applications, including during
13 the prosecution of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as
14 Qualcomm, Ericsson, and Huawei.

15 166. The '432 patent claims priority to no later than February 14, 2011. The
16 technology disclosed and claimed in the '432 Patent was not then well-understood,
17 routine or conventional. To the contrary, the technology claimed in the '432 Patent
18 was well ahead of the state of the art at the time of the invention. As described above,
19 the prior technology regarding sharing of neighboring cell information prioritized
20 inter-frequency information above intra-frequency information in all cases, and did
21 not allow for prioritizing intra-frequency or other RACH message information if the
22 RRC connection request message were space-constrained. The '432 Patent resolves
23 that problem.

24 **E. The Proximity-Based Power Regulation Patent**

25 167. BNR is the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 7,039,435 (the "'435
26 Patent"). The '435 Patent is entitled "Proximity Regulation System for Use with a
27 Portable Cell Phone and a Method of Operation Thereof." The '435 Patent issued on
28 May 2, 2006. A true and correct copy of the '435 Patent is attached as **Exhibit I**.

1 168. The inventors of the '435 Patent are Richard McDowell and Philip Mooney.

2 169. The application that resulted in the issuance of the '435 Patent was filed on
3 September 28, 2001.

4 170. The '435 Patent is generally related to a proximity regulation system and
5 associated methods that adjust transmit power under certain conditions, for use with a
6 portable cell phone. The specification explains that:

7 To address the [] deficiencies of the prior art, the present invention provides a
8 proximity regulation system for use with a portable cell phone. In one
9 embodiment, the proximity regulation system includes a location sensing
10 subsystem that is configured to determine a location of the portable cell phone
11 proximate a user. A power governing subsystem is coupled to the location
sensing subsystem and configured to determine a proximity transmit power level
of the portable cell phone based on the location.

12 '435 Patent at Col. 2:1-11.

13 171. The background section of the '435 Patent describes the shortcomings of the
14 prior art:

15 Typically, the quality of service of a cell phone is proportional to the transmit
16 power level of the cell phone. Though no definite proof has been determined,
17 health concerns have arisen due to the power used to transmit the radio
18 frequency of cell phones when operated close to the body of a cell phone user.
19 ...Cell phone users still want the best possible quality of service from their cell
20 phone. However, health concerns regarding the transmit power of cell phones
21 are now beginning to affect some users. Manufacturers have tried several
22 options to relieve the fears of consumers. One such option involves permanently
23 reducing the power of the transmitter in cellphones. Though this may be
24 perceived as a safety advantage to some customers, unfortunately, this also
25 reduces the quality of service of the cell phone. Another option for consumers is
the use of cell phones with a base that typically allows a higher transmit power
level of up to three watts....These type of cell phones, however, do not allow the
flexibility demanded by consumers that is found in the use of a portable cell
phone.

26 '435 Patent at Col. 1:33-62.
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1 172. The '435 Patent identifies the need "in the art [for] a system and method to
2 automatically reduce the transmit power level of a portable cell phone when located
3 near a human body thereby decreasing the perception of health risks associated with
4 the use thereof." '435 Patent at Col. 1:62-67.

5 173. The '435 Patent addresses that need by allowing for adjustment of a power
6 governing subsystem based on a location sensing subsystem, to determine a proximity
7 transmit power level of a cell phone based on location. *See, e.g.*, '435 Patent at Col.
8 2:1-39.

9 174. The '435 Patent contains one independent claim and nine total claims,
10 covering portable cell phone apparatuses. Claim 1 reads:

11 A portable cell phone, comprising:

12 a power circuit that provides a network adjusted transmit power level as a
13 function of a position to a communications tower, and

14 a proximity regulation system, including:

15 a location sensing subsystem that determines a location of said portable
16 cell phone proximate a user; and

17 a power governing subsystem, coupled to said location sensing
18 subsystem, that determines a proximity transmit power level of said
19 portable cell phone based on said location and determines a transmit
20 power level for said portable cell phone based on said network adjusted
21 transmit power level and said proximity transmit power level.

22 175. The above-disclosed claim limitations from the '435 Patent comprise
23 various elements, including, e.g., a proximity regulation system that contains both a
24 location sensing subsystem to determine location proximate a user and a power
25 governing subsystem that adjusts transmit power level of a cell phone based on
26 location. This claim, as a whole, provides significant benefits and improvements
27 discussed previously that directly adjusts power levels to address certain health
28 concerns based on cell phone usage.

1 176. The examination of the '435 Patent took over four years, from the filing of
2 the patent application on September 28, 2001, through the issue date of May 2, 2006.

3 177. The publicly available prosecution history for the '435 Patent indicates that
4 a single patent examiner was involved in examining the application that matured into
5 the '435 Patent, namely, Examiner Sonny Trinh.

6 178. Between any prior art references located by the Patent Examiner, and the
7 references submitted by the applicants and considered by the Patent Examiner during
8 the prosecution of the '435 Patent, at least 16 U.S. and foreign patent references were
9 formally considered by the Examiner, as indicated on the front page of the issued '435
10 Patent.

11 179. On information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO not to cite
12 excessive cumulative art, in other words, in this instance, the art cited by the
13 Applicants is representative of considerable other art located by the USPTO and not
14 cited. Further on information and belief, it is the practice of the USPTO to discuss in
15 its Office Actions those references of which the Patent Examiners are aware that most
16 closely resemble the claimed inventions.

17 180. On or about November 18, 2005, the USPTO issued a Notice of Allowance
18 as to all of claims 1-9 presently in the '435 Patent.

19 181. The issued claims from the '435 Patent are patentably distinct from the
20 references identified and/or discussed during prosecution. That is, each of the claims,
21 as a whole were found to be patentably distinct from the formally identified references.

22 182. The references cited during the examination of the '435 Patent all represent
23 patentably distinct and in some instances may constitute prior art means or methods for
24 manipulating power levels of a cell phone. By allowing the claims of the '435 Patent,
25 each of the claims in the '435 Patent, as a whole, was shown to be inventive, novel,
26 and innovative over at least the 16 formally identified references.

27 183. As each claim as a whole from the '435 Patent is inventive, novel, and
28 innovative as compared to the specified patents and other publications, each claim, as a

1 whole constitutes more than the application of well-understood, routine, and
2 conventional activities.

3 184. As of October 1, 2018, the '435 Patent or a family member has been cited as
4 pertinent prior art by a USPTO examiner or an applicant during the prosecution of at
5 least 110 issued patents and published applications—including during the prosecution
6 of patent applications filed by leading technology companies such as Apple, Google,
7 Samsung, and Qualcomm.

8 185. The '435 patent claims priority to no later than September 28, 2001, its
9 filing date. The technology disclosed and claimed in the '435 Patent was not then well-
10 understood, routine or conventional. The invention allows an automatic way to
11 regulate transmit power levels in a cell phone depending on the cell phone's location
12 and/or proximity in order to avoid harmful health effects.

13 **OVERVIEW OF ACCUSED TECHNOLOGY**

14 **A. HUAWEI'S CELLULAR PHONE PRODUCTS**

15 186. Huawei makes and sells cellular phones in the United States. These
16 offerings use trade names such as the Elate, the Ascent XT2, and the Mate series
17 (including the Mate SE, Mate 9, Mate 10 Pro, and Porsche Design Mate 10). Huawei
18 markets each of these phones as compliant with the 3GPP standards promulgated by
19 standard setting body the European Telecommunications Standards Institute ("ETSI"),
20 and markets some as compliant with either or both the 802.11ac and 802.11n
21 standards promulgated by standard setting body the Institute of Electronics and
22 Electrical Engineers ("IEEE"). These phones also include features that offer service
23 and device-related benefits to users, such as seamlessly switching from a cellular
24 network call to a WiFi network call, and proximity sensors to manipulate displays
25 under certain call conditions to reduce battery consumption, and to regulate transmit
26 power levels.

B. HUAWEI'S TABLET PRODUCTS

187. Huawei makes and sells tablet devices in the United States. These offerings use trade names such as the MediaPad M2, MediaPad M3, Media Pad M5, MediaPad T1, and MediaPad T3. Huawei markets each of these tablets as compliant with either or both the 802.11ac and 802.11n standards promulgated by IEEE; it markets at least the MediaPad M3, MediaPad M5 variants, and MediaPad T1 7.0 as compliant with the 3GPP standards promulgated by ETSI.

COUNT I

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,319,889)

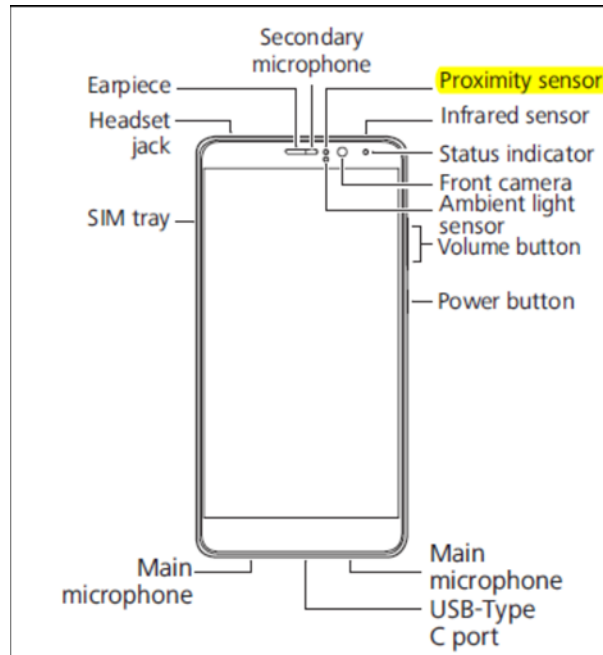
188. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

189. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 1) of the '889 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

190. Defendant has infringed and is currently infringing literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to Mate 9, Mate 10 Pro, Porsche Design Mate 10, Mate SE, Ascend XT2, Ascend Mate 2, Elate, Sensa, Y5 Lite, Y5 2018, Y611, Y7 2018, P Smart, Pronto, Y9 2018, Honor 9 Lite, Inspira, and Vision (collectively, the "'889 Accused Products") and related products and/or processes falling within the scope of one or more claims of the '889 Patent, including claim 1.

191. By way of example only, Defendant's Mate 9 product is a mobile station (cellular phone) comprising a display, a proximity sensor (located at the top of the device) adapted to generate a signal indicative of proximity of an external object (e.g., a person's ear), a microprocessor adapted to (1) determine whether a wireless telephone call is active, (2) receive a signal from the proximity sensor, and (3) reduce

1 power to the phone's display if a call is active and the signal indicates the proximity
 2 of the external object (e.g., ear). The microprocessor in the Mate 9 product reduces
 3 power to the display while the signal indicates the proximity of the external object
 4 (e.g., ear) only if it determines that the call is active, and the proximity sensor of the
 5 device begins detecting proximity substantially concurrently with the initiation of an
 6 outgoing call or receiving an incoming call.



18 Huawei Mate 9 User Guide.²

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20 192. The Mate 9's display is backlit at a normal level when a user is browsing the
 21 web or sending text messages. However, when a call is active and the user brings the
 22 phone proximate to the ear, the display dims, conserving battery power.

23 193. By way of example only, the remainder of the '889 Accused Products
 24 include each of the limitations described in the previous paragraph with respect to the
 25 Defendant's Mate 9 product. For example, Huawei advertises the proximity sensor
 26 feature for each product.

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28 ² Available at <https://consumer.huawei.com/us/support/phones/mate9/> (last accessed Aug. 1, 2018).

1 194. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
2 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the '889 Accused Products,
3 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
4 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
5 of claim 1.³

6 195. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
7 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the '889 Patent no later than
8 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
9 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
10 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean's letter
11 identified the '889 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant's products infringe
12 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
13 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
14 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
15 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
16 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the '889
17 Patent and Defendant's infringing products. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it
18 was infringing the '889 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the '889 Patent by
19 continuing to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the '889 Accused Products in the
20 United States.

21 196. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
22 met with respect to the '889 Patent.

23 197. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '889 Patent, Plaintiff has
24 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
25 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
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27 ³ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and products in its
28 infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules. Claim 1 is provided for notice
pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary" claim of all other claims in the '889 patent.

1 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
2 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
3 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
4 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court.

5 198. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and its agents,
6 servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in active
7 concert therewith from infringing the '889 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees will be
8 greatly and irreparably harmed.

9 **COUNT 2**

10 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 8,204,554)**

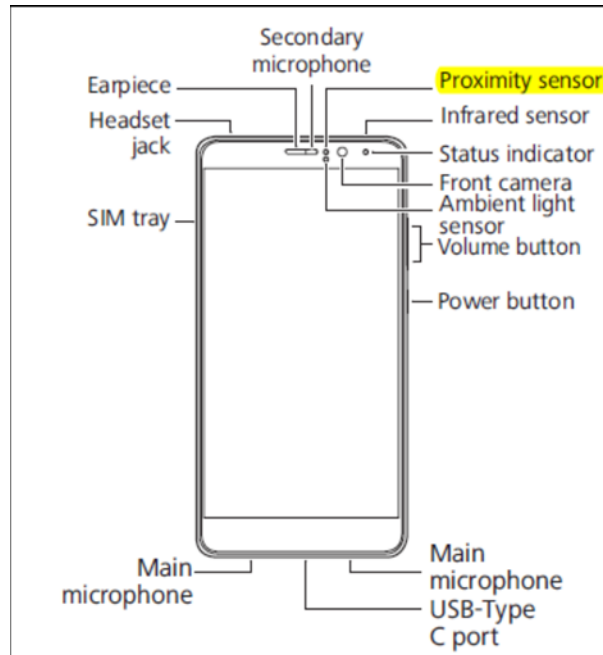
11 199. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
12 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

13 200. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
14 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 1) of the '554
15 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

16 201. Defendant has infringed and are currently infringing literally and/or under
17 the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
18 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
19 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
20 Mate 9, Mate 10 Pro, Porsche Design Mate 10, Mate SE, Ascend XT2, Ascend Mate
21 2, Elate, Sensa, Y5 Lite, Y5 2018, Y611, Y7 2018, P Smart, Pronto, Y9 2018, Honor
22 9 Lite, Inspira, and Vision (collectively, the "'554 Accused Products") and related
23 products and/or processes falling within the scope of one or more claims of the '554
24 Patent, including claim 1.

25 202. By way of example only, Defendant's Mate 9 product is a mobile station
26 (cellular phone) comprising a display, a proximity sensor (located at the top of the
27 device) adapted to generate a signal indicative of the existence of a first condition, the
28 first condition being that an external object (e.g., a person's ear) is proximate, and a

1 microprocessor adapted to (1) determine, without using the proximity sensor, the
 2 existence of the second condition that a user has performed an action to initiate an
 3 outgoing call or to answer an incoming call, (2) activate the proximity sensor if the
 4 second condition exists, and (3) reduce power to the phone's display if the signal from
 5 the activated proximity sensor indicates that the first condition (e.g., ear is proximate
 6 to the sensor) exists.



18 Huawei Mate 9 User Guide.⁴

19 203. The Mate 9's display is backlit at a normal level when a user is browsing the
 20 web or sending text messages. However, when a call is active and the user brings the
 21 phone proximate to the ear, the display dims, conserving battery power.

22 204. By way of example only, the remainder of the '554 Accused Products
 23 include each of the limitations described in the previous paragraph with respect to the
 24 Defendant's Mate 9 product. For example, Huawei advertises the proximity sensor
 25 feature for each product.

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28 ⁴ Available at <https://consumer.huawei.com/us/support/phones/mate9/> (last accessed Aug. 1, 2018).

1 205. Defendant’s acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
2 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the ’554 Accused Products,
3 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
4 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
5 of claim 1.⁵

6 206. Defendant’s infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
7 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the ’554 Patent no later than
8 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
9 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
10 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean’s letter
11 identified the ’554 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant’s products infringe
12 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
13 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
14 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
15 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
16 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the ’554
17 Patent and Defendant’s infringing products. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it
18 was infringing the ’554 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the ’554 Patent by
19 continuing to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the ’554 Accused Products in the
20 United States.

21 207. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
22 met with respect to the ’554 Patent.

23 208. As a result of Defendant’s infringement of the ’554 Patent, Plaintiff has
24 been injured by Defendant’s unauthorized use of Plaintiff’s intellectual property.

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26 ⁵ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an “exemplary”
claim of all other claims in the ’554 patent.

1 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
2 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
3 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
4 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
5 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court.

6 209. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and their
7 agents, servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in
8 active concert therewith from infringing the '554 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees
9 will be greatly and irreparably harmed.

10 **COUNT 3**

11 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,990,842)**

12 210. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
13 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

14 211. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
15 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 1) of the '842
16 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

17 212. Defendant has infringed and are currently infringing literally and/or under
18 the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
19 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
20 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
21 Elate, Sensa, Ascend Mate 2, Y5 Lite, Y7 Prime 2018, Y5 Prime 2018, Y6II, Inspira,
22 Vision, MediaPad T1 7.0, MediaPad T1 10.0, MediaPad T3 7, MediaPad T3 8,
23 MediaPad T3 10, MediaPad M3, MediaPad M3 Lite, and MediaPad M3 Lite 10.0
24 (collectively, the "'842 Accused Products") and related products and/or processes
25 falling within the scope of one or more claims of the '842 Patent, including claim 1.

26 213. The '842 Accused Products, including but not limited to those identified in
27 the preceding paragraph, comply with the 802.11n Standard per Defendant's product
28 literature and/or publicly available information.

1 214. The 802.11n Standard was introduced on or about October 2009.

2 215. The 802.11n Standard provides a definition for a High Throughput Long
3 Training Field (“HT-LTF”). The first part of the HT-LTF “consists of one, two, or
4 four HT-LTFs that are necessary for demodulation of the HT-Data portion of the
5 PPDU” (i.e., Protocol Data Unit). The 802.11n Standard provides a specific HT-LTF
6 sequence that is transmitted in the case of 20 MHz operation, which corresponds to
7 the long training sequence with minimum peak-to-average power ratio described in
8 the ‘842 Patent. See 802.11-2016 at 19.3.9.4.6 or 802.11-2009 at 20.3.9.4.6.

9 216. Devices operating in accordance with the 802.11n Standard (known as
10 “wireless stations” or “STAs”) must be able to generate the HT-LTF described. Thus,
11 all 802.11n compliant devices include a signal generator that generates the HT-LTF
12 described above.

13 217. When data is transmitted by an STA, it is encoded in a PPDU. The
14 encoding process set forth in the 802.11n Standard requires a reverse Fourier
15 transformer. *See* 802.11-2016 at 19.3.4(b) or 802.11-2009 at 20.3.4(b). Thus, all
16 802.11n Standard compliant devices, including the ‘842 Accused Products, include an
17 Inverse Fourier Transformer.

18 218. By way of example only, Defendant’s Elate product is a mobile station
19 (cellular phone) that is advertised as complying with the 802.11n Standard.



24 Huawei Elate Technical Specifications.⁶

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28 ⁶ Available at <https://consumer.huawei.com/us/phones/elate/specs/> (last accessed August 1, 2018).

1 219. Because of its compliance with 802.11n, Defendant's Elate contains a signal
2 generator capable of generating training sequences and an inverse Fourier transformer
3 that are capable of providing an extended long training sequence with a minimal peak-
4 to-power ratio which is capable of being transmitted on subcarriers using the
5 Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing scheme.

6 220. The remainder of the '842 Accused Products include each of the limitations
7 described in the previous paragraph with respect to the Defendant's Elate product.

8 221. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
9 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the '842 Accused Products,
10 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
11 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
12 of claim 1.⁷

13 222. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
14 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the '842 Patent no later than
15 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
16 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
17 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean's letter
18 identified the '842 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant's products infringe
19 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
20 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
21 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
22 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
23 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the '842
24 Patent and Defendant's infringing products. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it
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26 ⁷ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '842 patent.

1 was infringing the '842 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the '842 Patent by
2 continuing to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the '842 Accused Products in the
3 United States.

4 223. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
5 met with respect to the '842 Patent.

6 224. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '842 Patent, Plaintiff has
7 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
8 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
9 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
10 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
11 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
12 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court. BNR is willing to abide by any
13 applicable FRAND obligations.

14 225. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and their
15 agents, servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in
16 active concert therewith from infringing the '842 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees
17 will be greatly and irreparably harmed.

18 **COUNT 4**

19 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 8,416,862)**

20 226. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
21 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

22 227. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
23 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 9) of the '862
24 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

25 228. Defendant has infringed and are currently infringing literally and/or under
26 the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
27 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
28 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to

1 the MediaPad M3 Lite 10.0 (the “’862 Accused Products”) and related products
2 and/or processes falling within the scope of one or more claims of the ’862 Patent,
3 including claim 9.⁸

4 229. The ’862 Accused Products, including but not limited to the one identified
5 in the preceding paragraph, comply with the 802.11ac Standard.

6 230. The 802.11ac Standard was introduced on or about December 2013.

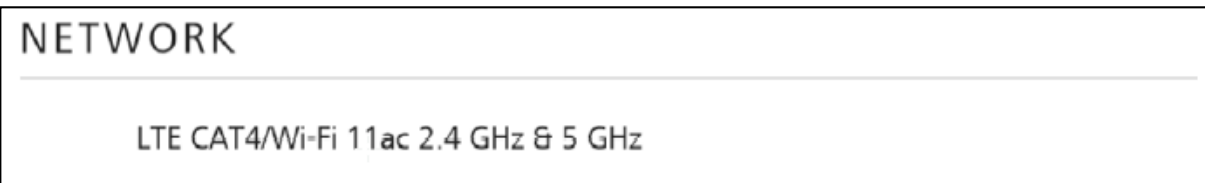
7 231. The 802.11ac Standard provides a definition and standardization for channel
8 sounding for beamforming for Multiple Input Multiple Output (“MIMO”) RF radio
9 links, including how a receiving wireless device communicates channel sounding to a
10 base station. Beamforming requires the use of a steering matrix that improves the
11 reception to the beamformee. The 802.11ac Standard provides a specific way to
12 compress the beamforming feedback matrix by the beamformee, and how to
13 determine and decompose the estimated transmitter beamforming unitary matrix and
14 compressed into angles for efficient transmission to the beamformer, which generates
15 a next steering matrix. *See* 802.11-2016 at 19.3.12.

16 232. Devices operating in accordance with the beamforming part of the 802.11ac
17 Standard must be able to generate the channel feedback information to a beamformer
18 to generate a steering matrix, as described. Thus, all 802.11ac compliant devices
19 include a module operable to transmit feedback beamforming information to a
20 beamformer by determining and then decomposing an estimated transmitter
21 beamforming unitary matrix, at least by using information from the transmitted HT-
22 LTF’s which are part of the PHY preamble. All 802.11ac compliant devices must
23 then be able to determine beamforming feedback matrices and compress those into the
24 form of angles, to be sent to the beamformer.

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26 ⁸ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 9 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an “exemplary”
claim of all other claims in the ’862 patent.

1 233. The beamformee calculates a beamforming unitary matrix based upon the
 2 channel response and a receiver beamforming unitary matrix. *See* 802.11-2016 at
 3 19.3.12.3.6. Thus, all 802.11ac Standard compliant devices, including the Accused
 4 Products are operable to feedback channel information to a beamformer based on
 5 information in a preamble sequence from the transmitting wireless device, to calculate
 6 transmitter beamforming information and compressing that information in the form of
 7 angles and sending this information to the beamforming transmitting wireless device.

8 234. By way of example only, Defendant's MediaPad M3 Lite 10.0 product is a
 9 receiving wireless device (a tablet with WiFi capabilities) that is advertised as
 10 complying with the 802.11ac Standard.



14 Huawei MediaPad M3 Lite Specifications.⁹

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16 235. Because of its compliance with 802.11ac, Defendant's MediaPad M3 Lite
 17 10.0 contains modules operable to feedback channel information to a beamformer
 18 based on information in a preamble sequence from the transmitting wireless device, to
 19 calculate transmitter beamforming information and compressing that information in
 20 the form of angles and sending this information to the beamforming transmitting
 21 wireless device.

22 236. The remainder of the Accused Products include each of the limitations
 23 described in the previous paragraph with respect to the Defendant's MediaPad M3
 24 Lite 10.0 product.

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 28 ⁹ Available at <https://consumer.huawei.com/us/tablets/mediapad-m3-lite-10/specs/> (last
 accessed November 13, 2018).

1 237. Defendant’s acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
2 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the ’862 Accused Products,
3 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
4 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
5 of claim 9.¹⁰

6 238. Defendant’s infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
7 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the ’862 Patent no later than
8 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
9 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
10 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean’s letter
11 identified the ’862 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant’s products infringe
12 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
13 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
14 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
15 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
16 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the ’862
17 Patent and Defendant’s infringing products. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it
18 was infringing the ’862 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the ’862 Patent by
19 continuing to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the ’862 Accused Products in the
20 United States.

21 239. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
22 met with respect to the ’862 Patent.

23 240. As a result of Defendant’s infringement of the ’862 Patent, Plaintiff has
24 been injured by Defendant’s unauthorized use of Plaintiff’s intellectual property.

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27 ¹⁰ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
28 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
Claim 9 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an “exemplary”
claim of all other claims in the ’862 patent.

1 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
2 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
3 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
4 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
5 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court. BNR is willing to abide by any
6 applicable FRAND obligations.

7 241. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and their
8 agents, servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in
9 active concert therewith from infringing the '862 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees
10 will be greatly and irreparably harmed.

11 **COUNT 5**

12 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,957,450)**

13 242. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
14 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

15 243. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
16 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (*e.g.*, claim 11) of the '450
17 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

18 244. Defendant has infringed and is currently infringing literally and/or under the
19 doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
20 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
21 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
22 MediaPad M3 Lite 10.0 (the "'450 Accused Products") and related products and/or
23 processes falling within the scope of one or more claims of the '450 Patent, including
24 claim 1.¹¹

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26 ¹¹ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '450 patent.

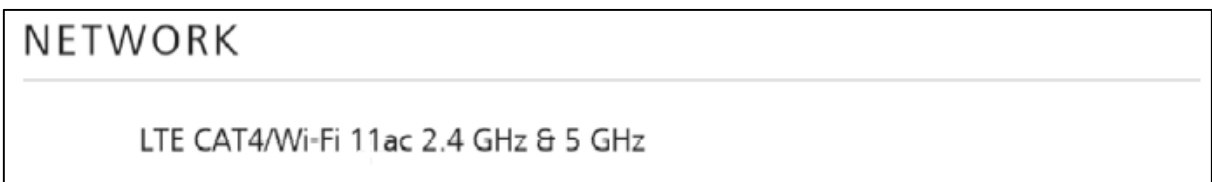
1 245. The '450 Accused Products, including but not limited to those identified in
2 the preceding paragraph, comply with the 802.11ac Standard per Defendant's product
3 literature and/or publicly available information.

4 246. The 802.11ac Standard was introduced on or about December 2013.

5 247. The 802.11ac Standard provides for a "compressed beamforming feedback
6 matrix" and specifies that "[i]n compressed beamforming feedback matrix, the
7 beamformee shall remove the space-time stream CSD in Table 19-10 from the
8 measured channel before computing a set of matrices for feedback to the beamformer."
9 See 802.11-2016 at 19.3.12.3.6. Furthermore, "[t]he beamforming feedback matrices,
10 $V(k)$, found by the beamformee are compressed in the form of angles, which are sent to
11 the beamformer." See 802.11-2016 at 19.3.12.3.6. Any device that complies with the
12 beamforming part of the 802.11ac Standard must be capable of providing compressed
13 beamforming feedback matrices as set forth above.

14 248. Upon information and belief, singular value decomposition (SVD) is the
15 most common approach to calculate transmitter weights for beamforming matrices.
16 Furthermore, using the matrix V calculated by SVD results in maximum likelihood
17 performance with a linear receiver, which greatly simplifies receiver design.

18 249. By way of example only, Defendant's MediaPad M3 Lite 10.0 product is a
19 mobile station that is advertised as complying with the 802.11ac Standard.



23 Huawei MediaPad M3 Lite Specifications.¹²

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27 ¹² Available at <https://consumer.huawei.com/us/tablets/mediapad-m3-lite-10/specs/>
28 (last accessed November 13, 2018).

1 250. The remainder of the '450 Accused Products include each of the limitations
2 described in the previous paragraph with respect to the Defendant's MediaPad M3 Lite
3 10.0 product.

4 251. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or importing
5 infringing products, including but not limited to the '450 Accused Products, and
6 related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents,
7 each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations of claim 1.¹³

8 252. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
9 willful. Defendant became aware of its infringement of the '450 Patent no later than
10 the filing of this Complaint; yet it continues to infringe the '450 Patent by continuing
11 to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the '450 Accused Products in the United States.

12 253. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
13 met with respect to the '450 Patent.

14 **254.** As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '450 Patent, Plaintiff has
15 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
16 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
17 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
18 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
19 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
20 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court. BNR is willing to abide by any
21 applicable FRAND obligations.

22 **255.** Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and its agents,
23 servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in active
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27 ¹³ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
28 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '450 patent.

1 concert therewith from infringing the '450 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees will be
2 greatly and irreparably harmed.

3 **COUNT 6**

4 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,941,156)**

5 256. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
6 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

7 257. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
8 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 1) of the '156
9 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

10 258. Defendant has infringed and are currently infringing literally and/or under
11 the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
12 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
13 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
14 Mate 10 Pro, Porsche Design Mate 10, Mate 9, Ascend XT2, Elate, Y7 Prime, P
15 Smart, Y9 2018, Honor 9 Lite, and Y5 Prime 2018 (collectively, the "'156 Accused
16 Products") and related products and/or processes falling within the scope of one or
17 more claims of the '156 Patent, including claim 1.¹⁴

18 259. The '156 Accused Products, including but not limited to those identified in
19 the preceding paragraph, include both an RF radio for cellular communications and a
20 separate RF radio for connection to WiFi networks. Further, those radios are designed
21 and able to operate simultaneous communication paths at different frequencies and
22 automatically switch over communication from either the cellular communication or
23 the WiFi functionality to the other.

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26 ¹⁴ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 9 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '156 patent.

1 260. By way of example only, Defendant's Mate 10 Pro product is a multimode
2 cellular phone that includes cellular RF communication functionality, and RF
3 communication functionality separate and different from the cellular RF phone
4 functionality (namely WiFi), a module operable to establish simultaneous
5 communication paths from the multimode cellular phone using both the cellular
6 functionality and the WiFi functionality, and an automatic switchover module, as
7 shown by the device's capability to maintain a voice call while switching between a
8 cellular connection and a WiFi connection.

9 261. More specifically, when a user of a Mate 10 Pro is in an existing call on a
10 first RF connection type, either a WiFi or cellular connection, and then moves to an
11 area where a different and distinct second RF connection type is available, either
12 cellular or WiFi connection, the Mate 10 Pro then switches modes from the first RF
13 connection type to the second, different RF connection type automatically and without
14 dropping the call and having to reconnect.

15 262. By way of example only, the remainder of the '156 Accused Products
16 include each of the limitations described in the previous paragraph with respect to the
17 Defendant's Mate 10 Pro product.

18 263. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
19 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the '156 Accused Products,
20 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
21 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
22 of claim 1.

23 264. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
24 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the '156 Patent no later than
25 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
26 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
27 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean's letter
28 identified the '156 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant's products infringe

1 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
2 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
3 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
4 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
5 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the '156
6 Patent and Defendant's infringing products. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it
7 was infringing the '156 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the '156 Patent by
8 continuing to make, use, sell, and/or offer to sell the '156 Accused Products in the
9 United States.

10 265. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
11 met with respect to the '156 Patent.

12 266. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '156 Patent, Plaintiff has
13 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
14 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
15 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
16 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
17 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
18 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court.

19 267. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and their
20 agents, servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in
21 active concert therewith from infringing the '156 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees
22 will be greatly and irreparably harmed.

23 **COUNT 7**

24 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 8,792,432)**

25 268. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
26 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

1 269. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
2 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (*e.g.*, claim 12) of the
3 '432 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

4 270. Defendant has infringed and are currently infringing literally and/or under
5 the doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
6 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
7 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
8 the Mate 10 Pro, Porsche Design Mate 10, Mate SE, Mate 9, Ascend XT2, Ascend
9 Mate 2, Elate, Y7 Prime 2018, Y9 2018, Y5 Lite, Y5 Prime 2018, Y6II, PSmart,
10 Sensa, Pronto, Honor 9 Lite, Inspira, MediaPad M5 8.4, MediaPad M5 10.8,
11 MediaPad M5 Pro, MediaPad T1 7.0, MediaPad T3 10, and MediaPad M3
12 (collectively, the "'432 Accused Products") and related products and/or processes
13 falling within the scope of one or more claims of the '432 Patent, including claim 12.

14 271. The '432 Accused Products, including but not limited to those identified in
15 the preceding paragraph, comply with the 3GPP TS 25.331 standard, Version 11.4.0
16 Release 11 (the "TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard") or later, per Defendant's product
17 literature.

18 272. The TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard was introduced on or about February 2013.

19 273. The TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard provides a protocol specification for
20 Universal Mobile Telecommunications System ("UTMS") Radio Resource Control
21 ("RRC") standards. This includes the function of and informational elements to be
22 included in RRC Connection Request messages.

23 274. The TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard requires that compliant devices be capable
24 of receiving the network's RACH reporting priority, indicating the order of limiting
25 intra/inter neighbor cell measurements and other information. See TS 25.331 v.11.4.0
26 at 10.3.7.136. This means that compliant devices, including the '432 Accused
27 Products, can receive a broadcast indication indicating whether to prioritize inter-

1 frequency or intra-frequency neighbor cell measurements for inclusion in an uplink
2 connection request message to be sent on a random-access channel.

3 275. Devices operating in accordance with the TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard
4 transmit an uplink RRC message, which includes the measured RACH characteristics,
5 including neighbor cell characteristics in accordance with the prioritization noted
6 above, and does not exceed the maximum allowed message size. See TS 25.331
7 v.11.4.0 at 8.5.23. Therefore, any compliant devices, including the '432 Accused
8 Products, construct the uplink connection request message, which includes
9 measurements that are prioritized in accordance with the broadcast indication so as
10 not to exceed a maximum size of the uplink connection request message.

11 276. The TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard sets forth protocols for transmitting the
12 uplink RRC message and limiting the number of included neighboring cells according
13 to the priority indicated by the network—e.g., an “InterEUTRAIntra,” indication
14 limits the number of intra-frequency cells reported first, and an “IntraEUTRAInter”
15 indication limits the number of inter-frequency cells reported first. See TS 25.331
16 v.11.4.0 at 8.5.23. Therefore, the broadcast indication discussed above is one in which
17 one value of the indication directs that the inter-frequency neighbor cell
18 measurements are prioritized over the intra-frequency neighbor cell measurement
19 results for inclusion in the uplink connection request message; and a different value of
20 the indication or omission of the indication directs that the intra-frequency neighbor
21 cell measurements are prioritized over the inter-frequency neighbor cell
22 measurements for inclusion in the uplink connection request message.

23 277. The TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard requires the broadcast indication discussed
24 above to be an information element of system information received on a broadcast
25 channel from an access node of a Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network or an
26 Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network (e.g., a cell network), and, as
27 discussed above, the uplink connection request message is a Radio Resource Control
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1 Connection Request Message. *See* TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 at 8.5.23, 10.2.39, 10.2.48,
2 10.2.48.8.22.

3 278. By way of example only, Defendant's Elate product is a receiving wireless
4 device (cellular phone) that is advertised as containing features that comply with the
5 TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard or later, including carrier aggregation.

6 279. Because it complies with that standard, it therefore implements the
7 mandatory portions of that standard described above.

8 280. Because of its compliance with the TS 25.331 v.11.4.0 Standard or later,
9 Defendant's Elate receives a broadcast indication indicating whether to prioritize
10 inter-frequency or intra-frequency neighbor cell measurements for inclusion in an
11 uplink connection request message to be sent on a random access channel, and
12 constructs the uplink connection request message which includes measurements that
13 are prioritized in accordance with the broadcast indication so as not to exceed a
14 maximum size of the uplink connection request message, in which one value of the
15 indication directs that the inter-frequency neighbor cell measurements are prioritized
16 over the intra-frequency neighbor cell measurement results for inclusion in the uplink
17 connection request message, and a different value of the indication or omission of the
18 indication directs that the intra-frequency neighbor cell measurements are prioritized
19 over the inter-frequency neighbor cell measurements for inclusion in the uplink
20 connection request message, and in which the indication is within an information
21 element of system information received on a broadcast channel from an access node
22 of a UTRAN or an E-UTRAN wireless system, and the uplink connection request
23 message is a Radio Resource Control Connection Request message.

24 281. By way of example only, the remainder of the '432 Accused Products
25 include each of the limitations described in the previous paragraph with respect to the
26 Defendant's Elate product.

27 282. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or
28 importing infringing products, including but not limited to the '432 Accused Products,

1 and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of
2 equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations
3 of claim 12.¹⁵

4 283. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and
5 willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the '432 Patent no later than
6 December 1, 2017 in a letter from Mr. Dean, President of Bell Northern Research, to
7 Mr. Biao, President and Executive Director and President Mobile Broadband and
8 Home Device Product Line for Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. Mr. Dean's letter
9 identified the '432 Patent and notified Defendant that Defendant's products infringe
10 the patent. Mr. Dean identified exemplary products by name. BNR offered to meet
11 and present a detailed presentation to Defendant, describing the infringement. On
12 January 18, 2018 and February 6, 2018, BNR followed up by sending additional
13 letters. Further, BNR participated in meetings with Defendant on or about March 16,
14 2018, April 23, 2018, and June 20, 2018 in Shenzhen, China, to discuss the '432
15 Patent and Defendant's infringing products. Defendant was also aware of the '432
16 patent when it was cited during the prosecution of WO2014063095A1, filed on
17 October 19, 2012. Despite these efforts, and knowing that it was infringing the '432
18 Patent, Defendant continued to infringe the '889 Patent by continuing to make, use,
19 sell, and/or offer to sell the '432 Accused Products in the United States.

20 284. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
21 met with respect to the '432 Patent.

22 285. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '432 Patent, Plaintiff has
23 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
24 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
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26 ¹⁵ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 12 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '432 patent.

1 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
2 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
3 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
4 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court. BNR is willing to abide by any
5 applicable FRAND obligations.

6 286. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and their
7 agents, servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in
8 active concert therewith from infringing the '432 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees
9 will be greatly and irreparably harmed.

10 **COUNT 8**

11 **(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,039,435)**

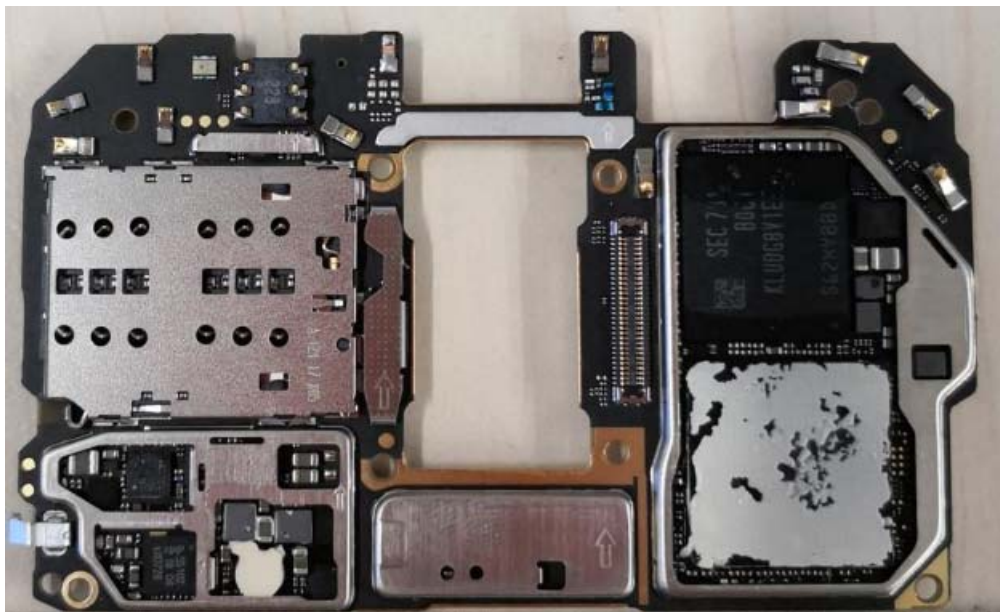
12 287. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the
13 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

14 288. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant
15 has infringed and is currently infringing one or more claims (e.g., claim 1) of the '435
16 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

17 289. Defendant has infringed and is currently infringing literally and/or under the
18 doctrine of equivalents, by, among other things, making, using, offering for sale,
19 selling, and/or importing within this judicial district and elsewhere in the United
20 States, without license or authority, infringing products, including but not limited to
21 the Huawei Mate 10 Pro, Mate SE, and Porsche Design Mate 10(the "'435 Accused
22 Products") and related products and/or processes falling within the scope of one or
23 more claims of the '435 Patent, including claim 1.¹⁶

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26 ¹⁶ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and
27 products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules.
28 Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary"
claim of all other claims in the '435 patent.

1 290. By way of example only, Defendant's Mate 10 Pro product is a portable cell
2 phone with (1) a power circuit that provides a network adjusted transmit power level as
3 a function of a position to a communications tower and (2) a proximity regulation
4 system that includes both a location sensing subsystem and a power governing
5 subsystem, the latter of which determines a transmit power level based on a proximity
6 transmit power level determined by the location of the cell phone proximate a user and
7 the network adjusted transmit power level. The following picture shows this circuitry
8 and system:



19 Internal Photos submitted to the FCC in connection with SAR Compliance Test
20 Reports for FCC ID QISBLA-A09, available at
21 <<https://apps.fcc.gov/oetcf/eas/reports/GenericSearch.cfm>> (Grantee Code: QIS,
22 Product Code: BLA-A09), at 4.

23 291. Specifically, as part of its submissions to the Federal Communications
24 Commission ("FCC"), Huawei or one of its agents discloses test results from Specific
25 Absorption Rate ("SAR") Testing that shows power regulation based on information
26 received from the device's proximity sensor, whereby transmit power levels are
27 adjusted based on proximity data. For instance, the test report submitted to the FCC for
28 the Mate 10 Pro product includes the following information and graphs:

6.8.2 Power reduction triggered by capacitive proximity sensor(2G&3G&4G main antenna)

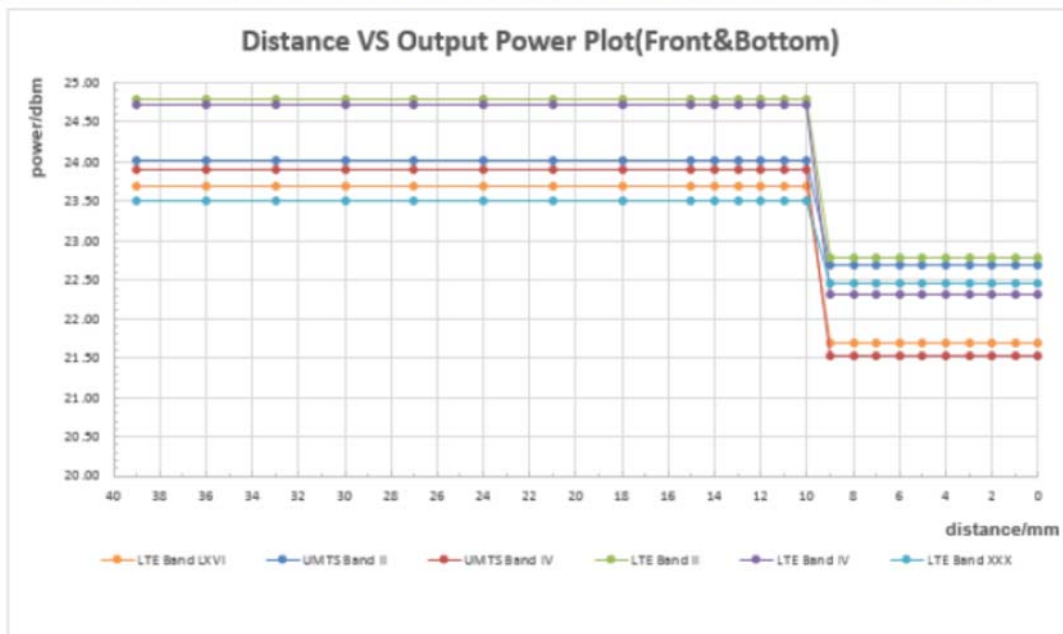
This device uses one sensor chip and two proximity sensors (metallic electrode) to reduce the maximum output power of 2G/3G/4G main antenna in selected wireless mode and operating configurations to ensure SAR compliance. The two sensors are applied to one same 2G/3G/4G main antenna. The two proximity sensors (metallic electrode) are called as proximity sensor channel-1 and proximity sensor channel-2 for the device.

The proximity sensor is used to indicate when the device is held close to a user's body exposure condition. It utilizes the proximity sensor to reduce the output power in specific wireless and operating modes of main antenna to ensure SAR compliance.

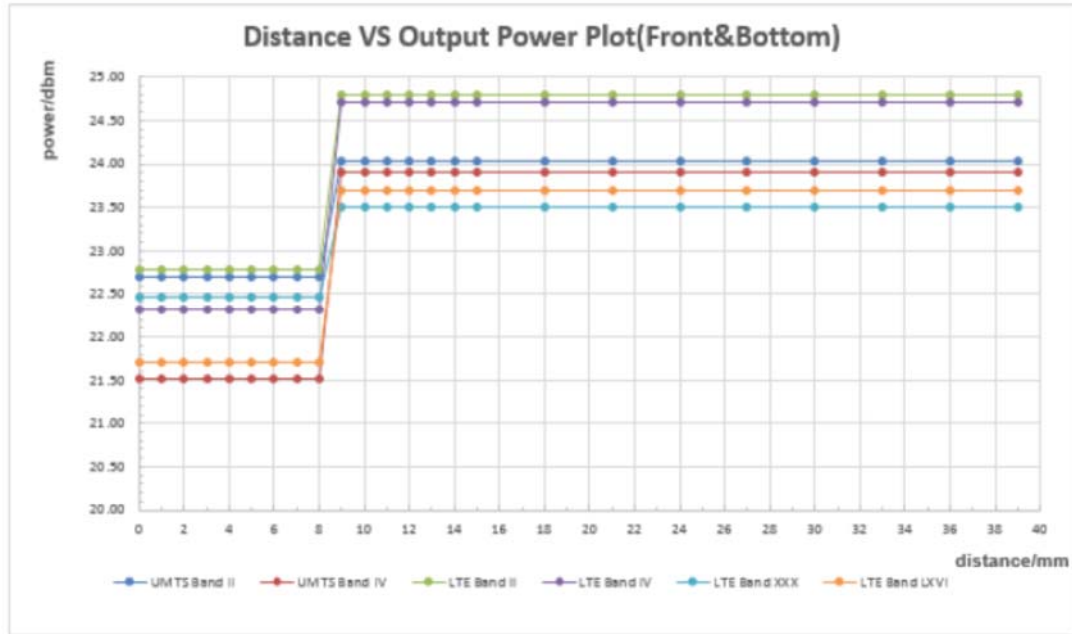
FCC SAR Compliance Test Report (Reliability Laboratory of Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.) for FCC ID QISBLA-A09, available at

<<https://apps.fcc.gov/oetcf/eas/reports/GenericSearch.cfm>> (Grantee Code: QIS, Product Code: BLA-A09), Report No. SYBH(Z-SAR)006112017-2 at 63.

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The DUT is moved away from flat phantom with/without protective cover (Front/Bottom side):



Id. at 66.

292. By way of example only, the remainder of the '435 Accused Products include each of the limitations described in the previous paragraph with respect to the Defendant's Mate 10 Pro product. For example, Huawei submits data to the FCC relating to the transmit power level variations on each of those other products.

293. Defendant's acts of making, using, offering for sale, selling, and/or importing infringing products, including but not limited to the '435 Accused Products, and related products and/or processes satisfy, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, each and every claim limitation, including but not limited to limitations of claim 1.¹⁷

294. Defendant's infringement is knowing, egregious, consciously wrongful, and willful. Defendant learned of its infringement of the '435 Patent no later than the filing

¹⁷ Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to identify additional asserted claims and products in its infringement contentions in accordance with the local patent rules. Claim 1 is provided for notice pleading only and is not presented as an "exemplary" claim of all other claims in the '435 patent.

1 of this Complaint; yet it continues to infringe the '435 Patent by continuing to make,
2 use, sell, and/or offer to sell the '435 Accused Products in the United States.

3 295. To the extent applicable, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287(a) have been
4 met with respect to the '435 Patent.

5 296. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '435 Patent, Plaintiff has
6 been injured by Defendant's unauthorized use of Plaintiff's intellectual property.
7 Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in an amount adequate to compensate for
8 Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty for the use
9 made of the invention by Defendant, together with interest and costs as fixed by the
10 Court, and Plaintiff will continue to suffer damages in the future unless Defendant's
11 infringing activities are enjoined by this Court.

12 297. Unless a permanent injunction is issued enjoining Defendant and its agents,
13 servants, employees, representatives, affiliates, and all others acting or in active
14 concert therewith from infringing the '435 Patent, Plaintiff and its licensees will be
15 greatly and irreparably harmed.

16 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

17 Plaintiff prays for the following relief:

18 A. A judgment that Defendant has infringed one or more claims of the
19 Asserted Patents;

20 B. A permanent injunction enjoining Defendant and their officers, directors,
21 agents, servants, affiliates, employees, divisions, branches, subsidiaries, parents, and
22 all others acting in active concert or participation with Defendant, from infringing the
23 Asserted Patents;

24 C. An award of damages resulting from Defendant's acts of infringement in
25 accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 284;

26 D. A judgment and order finding that Defendant's acts of infringement were
27 egregious and willful and trebling damages under 35 U.S.C. § 284;

1 E. A judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the
2 meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees
3 against Defendant;

4 F. A judgment and order requiring Defendant to provide accountings and to
5 pay supplemental damages to Plaintiff, including, without limitation, prejudgment and
6 post-judgment interest; and

7 G. Any and all other relief to which Plaintiff may show itself to be entitled.

8 **JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

9 Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable.
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23 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

24 I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document
25 has been served on November 13, 2018 to all counsel of record who are deemed to have
26 consented to electronic service via the Court’s CM/ECF system. Pursuant to Local Rule
27 5.4(c), any other counsel of record will be served by electronic mail, facsimile, or
28 overnight delivery.

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