

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

BLUE SPIKE LLC;
BLUE SPIKE INTERNATIONAL LTD.;
WISTARIA TRADING LTD.

Plaintiffs,

v.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Defendant.

Civil Action No. _____

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff Blue Spike LLC (“Blue Spike” or “Plaintiff”), for its Complaint against Defendant Charter Communications, Inc. (referred to herein as “Charter” or “Spectrum” or “Defendant”), alleges the following:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*

THE PARTIES

2. Plaintiff Blue Spike LLC is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Texas with a place of business at 1820 Shiloh Road, Suite 1201-C, Tyler, Texas 75703.

3. Plaintiff Blue Spike Int. is a limited liability company established in Ireland with a place of business at Unit 6, Bond House, Bridge Street, Dublin 8, Ireland. Blue Spike Int. was recently acquired by Blue Spike Inc., a Florida corporation. Blue Spike Inc. has no right, title, or interest in the patents in suit, nor any licensing rights to the patents in suit, nor any enforcement rights in the patents in suit.

4. Plaintiff Wistaria Trading Ltd. is a Bermuda corporation with a place of business at Clarendon House, 2 Church St., Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda.

5. Upon information and belief, Defendant Charter Communications, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware with a place of business at 400 Atlantic Street, 10th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut 06901.

6. Upon information and belief, Charter sells, offers to sell, and/or uses products and services throughout the United States, including in this judicial district, and introduces infringing products and services into the stream of commerce knowing that they would be sold and/or used in this judicial district and elsewhere in the United States.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

7. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the Patent Laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code.

8. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

9. Venue is proper in this judicial district under 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b).

10. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Charter under the laws of the District of Delaware due at least to its substantial business in Delaware and in this judicial district, directly or through intermediaries, including: (i) at least a portion of the infringements alleged herein; and (ii) regularly doing or soliciting business, engaging in other persistent courses of conduct and/or deriving substantial revenue from goods and services provided to individuals in the State of Delaware. Further, this Court has personal jurisdiction and proper authority to exercise venue over Charter because defendant is incorporated in Delaware and by doing so has purposely availed itself of the privileges and benefits of the laws of the State of Delaware

BACKGROUND

The Inventions

11. Scott A. Moskowitz and Michael Berry are the inventors of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,475,246 (“the ‘246 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘246 patent is attached as Exhibit A.

12. Scott A. Moskowitz and Michael Berry are the inventors of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,739,295 (“the ‘295 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘295 patent is attached as Exhibit B.

13. Scott A. Moskowitz and Michael Berry are the inventors of U.S. Patent No. 9,934,408 (the ‘408 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘408 patent is attached to Exhibit C.

14. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,159,116 (“the ‘116 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘116 patent is attached as Exhibit D.

15. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,538,011 (“the ‘011 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘011 patent is attached as Exhibit E.

16. Scott A. Moskowitz and Marc Cooperman are the inventors of U.S. Patent No. 9,021,602 (“the ‘602 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘602 patent is attached as Exhibit F.

17. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent No. 9,104,842 (“the ‘842 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘842 patent is attached as Exhibit G.

18. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent No. 8,224,705 (“the ‘705 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘705 patent is attached as Exhibit H.

19. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent No. 7,287,275 (“the ‘275 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘275 patent is attached as Exhibit I.

20. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent No. 8,473,746 (“the ‘746 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘746 patent is attached as Exhibit J.

21. Scott A. Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent Reissue No. RE 44,222 (“the ‘222 patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘222 patent is attached as Exhibit K.

22. Scott A Moskowitz is the inventor of U.S. Patent Reissue No. RE 44,307 (“the ‘307 Patent”). A true and correct copy of the ‘307 Patent is attached as Exhibit L.

23. The ‘246 patent, the ‘295 patent, the ‘408 patent, the ‘116 patent, the ‘011 patent, ‘602 patent, the ‘842 patent, the ‘705 patent, the ‘275 patent, the ‘746 patent, the ‘222 patent, and the ‘307 patent (collectively, “the patents in suit”) all cover pioneering technologies for rights management and content security.

24. The patents in suit are all assigned to and owned by Wistaria. Blue Spike LLC is the exclusive licensee of the patents in suit. Blue Spike LLC’s exclusive license to the patents in suit includes the right to assert infringement under 35 U.S.C. §271 and grant sub-licenses to the patents in suit.

25. Blue Spike Int. is a prior exclusive licensee of the patents in suit, which license was revoked upon the grant of the exclusive license to Blue Spike LLC; however, Blue Spike Int. retains the right to receive all revenues from Blue Spike LLC’s licensing of the patents in suit.

26. Blue Spike LLC, Blue Spike Int., and Wistaria are each exclusively and entirely owned and controlled by Scott Moskowitz.

27. The ‘246, ‘295, and ‘408 patents (collectively, “the Secure Server patents”) all resulted from the pioneering efforts of the named inventors in the area of secure distribution of digitized value-added information, or media content, while preserving the ability of publishers to make available unsecured versions of the same value-added information, or media content,

without adverse effect to the systems security. These efforts resulted in the secure personal content server memorialized in mid-2000. At the time of these pioneering efforts, the most widely implemented technology used to address unauthorized copying and distribution of digital content was focused solely on cryptography. Content could be encrypted, but there was no association between the encryption and the actual content. This meant that there could be no efficient and openly accessible market for tradable information. The Inventors conceived of the inventions claimed in the Secure Server patents as a way to separate transactions from authentication in the sale of digitized data.

28. For example, the Inventors developed methods and systems which enable secure, paid exchange of value-added information, while separating transaction protocols. The methods and systems improve on existing means for distribution control by relying on authentication, verification and authorization that may be flexibly determined by both buyers and sellers. These determinations may not need to be predetermined, although pricing matrix and variable access to the information opens additional advantages over the prior art. The present invention offers methods and protocols for ensuring value-added information distribution can be used to facilitate trust in a large or relatively anonymous marketplace (such as the Internet's World Wide Web).

29. The '116 patent and the '011 patent (collectively, the "Trusted Transaction patents") resulted from the pioneering efforts of Mr. Moskowitz (hereinafter "the Inventor") in the area of transferring information between parties. These efforts resulted in the development of systems, methods, and devices for trusted transactions memorialized in mid-2000. At the time of these pioneering efforts, the most widely implemented technology used to address the difficulty of providing to a prospective acquirer of good or services full, accurate, and verifiable information regarding the nature, value, authenticity, and other suitability-related characteristics

of the product in question. In that type of system, reciprocal and non-reciprocal systems could use non-secret algorithms to provide encryption and decryption. The Inventor conceived of the inventions claimed in the '116 and '011 patents as a way to enhance trust on the part of participants in the transaction.

30. For example, the Inventor developed methods and systems which enhance trust in transactions in connection with sophisticated security, scrambling, and encryption technology by, for example, steganographic encryption, authentication, and security means.

31. The '602 patent and the '842 patent (collectively, the "Watermarking patents") resulted from the pioneering efforts of the Inventors in the area of protection of digital information. These efforts resulted in the development of systems, methods, and devices for data protection memorialized in the mid-2000s. At the time of these pioneering efforts, the most widely implemented technology used to address the difficulty of protecting intellectual property was copy protection. However, in that type of system the cost of developing such protection was not justified considering the level of piracy that occurred despite the copy protection. The Inventor and Marc Cooperman ("Cooperman") conceived of the inventions claimed in the Watermarking patents as a way to combine transfer functions with predetermined key creation.

32. For example, the Inventor and Cooperman developed systems and methods that protect digital information by identifying and encoding a portion of the format information. Encoded digital information, including the digital sample and the encoded format information, is generated to protect the original digital information.

33. The '705, '275, '746, '222, and '307 patents (collectively, the "Packet Transfer patents") resulted from the pioneering efforts of the Inventor in the area of optimizing and provisioning the allocation of bandwidth. These efforts resulted in the development of systems,

methods, and devices for packet watermarking and efficient provisioning of bandwidth memorialized in the early- to mid-2000s. At the time of these pioneering efforts, the most widely implemented technology used to optimize and provision the allocation of bandwidth

34. Focused on priority of transmission paths for data in an attempt to alleviate bottlenecks within a given network. The Inventor conceived of the inventions claimed in the Packet Transfer patents as a way to transmit a stream of data by receiving a stream, organizing the stream into a plurality of packets, generating a packet watermark with each of the plurality of packets to form watermarked packets, and transmitting at least one of the watermarked packets across a network. *E.g.*, Exhibit I, '275 patent at 5:35–67; Exhibit H, '705 patent at 4:34–65; Exhibit J, '746 patent at 4:66–3:51; Exhibit K, '222 patent at 5:11–6:9; Exhibit L, '307 patent at 4:47–5:11.

35. For example, the Inventor developed systems and methods that generate, monitor, and authenticate packet watermarking data.

Advantage Over the Prior Art

36. The patented inventions disclosed in the Secure Server patents provide many advantages over the prior art, and in particular improved the operations of secure personal content servers. *E.g.*, Exhibit A, '246 patent at 2:24–64; Exhibit B, '295 patent at 2:39–65; Exhibit C, '408 patent at 2:55–3:15. One advantage of the patented invention is the handling of authentication, verification, and authorization with a combination of cryptographic and steganographic protocols to achieve efficient, trusted, secure exchange of digital information. *E.g.*, Exhibit A, '246 patent at 1:53–56; Exhibit B, '295 patent at 1:27–30; Exhibit C, '408 patent at 1:42–45.

37. Another advantage of the patented invention is leveraging the benefits of digital information (such as media content) to consumers and publishers, while ensuring the development and persistence of trust between all parties. *E.g.*, Exhibit A, ‘246 patent at 3:16–30; Exhibit B, ‘295 patent at 3:32–47; Exhibit C, ‘408 patent at 3:49–64.

38. Another advantage of the patented invention is the separation and independent quantification of interests and requirements of different parties to a transaction by market participants in shorter periods of time. *E.g.*, Exhibit A, ‘246 patent at 3:32–51; Exhibit B, ‘295 patent at 3:47–67; Exhibit C, ‘408 patent at 3:65–4:18.

39. Because of these significant advantages that can be achieved through the use of the patented invention, Plaintiffs believe the Secure Server patents present significant commercial value for companies like Charter. Indeed, the technology described and claimed in the Secure Server patents read on the core functionality of Charter’s Spectrum products and services.

40. The patented inventions disclosed in the Trusted Transaction patents provide many advantages over the prior art, and in particular improved the operations of transaction devices. *E.g.*, Exhibit D, ‘116 patent at 3:38–7:67; Exhibit E, ‘011 patent at 3:42–7:60. One advantage of the patented invention is the handling of authentication, verification, and authorization with a combination of cryptographic and steganographic protocols to achieve efficient, trusted, secure exchange of digital information. *See* Exhibit D, ‘116 patent at 3:46–51; Exhibit E, ‘011 patent at 3:50–57.

41. Another advantage of the patented invention is leveraging the benefits of digital information (such as media content) to consumers and publishers, while ensuring the development and persistence of trust between all parties. *E.g.*, Exhibit D, ‘116 patent at 3:16–30.

42. Another advantage of the patented invention is the integration of system components, optimally requiring comparatively little processing resources so as to maximize its usefulness and minimize its cost. *E.g.*, Exhibit D, '116 patent at 3:52–55; Exhibit E, '011 patent at 3:53–57.

43. Because of these significant advantages that can be achieved through the use of the patented invention, Plaintiffs believe the Trusted Transaction patents present significant commercial value for companies like Charter. Indeed, the technology described and claimed in the Trusted Transaction patents read on the core security functionality of Charter's downloadable apps.

44. The patented inventions disclosed in the Watermarking patents provide many advantages over the prior art, and in particular improved the operations of digital content generation and/or display devices. *E.g.*, Exhibit F, '602 patent at 7:22–40; Exhibit G, '842 patent at 7:20–38. One advantage of the patented invention is the provision of a level of security for executable code on similar grounds as that which can be provided for digitized samples. *E.g.*, Exhibit F, '602 patent at 7:22–29; Exhibit G, '842 patent at 7:20–27.

45. Another advantage of the patented invention is that it does not attempt to stop copying, but rather, determines responsibility for a copy by ensuring that licensing information must be preserved in descendant copies from an original. Without the correct license information, the copy cannot function. *E.g.*, Exhibit F, '602 patent at 7:22–29; Exhibit G, '842 patent at 7:20–27.

46. Because of these significant advantages that can be achieved through the use of the patented invention, Plaintiffs believe the Watermarking patents present significant commercial value for companies like Charter. Indeed, the technology described and claimed in

the Watermarking patents reads on the core security functionality of Charter's digital security in its Spectrum digital TV devices and products.

47. The Packet Transfer patents resulted from the pioneering efforts of the Inventor in the area of optimizing and provisioning the allocation of bandwidth. These efforts resulted in the development of systems, methods, and devices for packet watermarking and efficient provisioning of bandwidth memorialized in the early- to mid-2000s. At the time of these pioneering efforts, the most widely implemented technology used to optimize and provision the allocation of bandwidth

48. Focused on priority of transmission paths for data in an attempt to alleviate bottlenecks within a given network. The Inventor conceived of the inventions claimed in the Packet Transfer patents as a way to transmit a stream of data by receiving a stream, organizing the stream into a plurality of packets, generating a packet watermark with each of the plurality of packets to form watermarked packets, and transmitting at least one of the watermarked packets across a network. *E.g.*, Exhibit I, '275 patent at 5:35–67; Exhibit H, '705 patent at 4:34–65; Exhibit J, '746 patent at 4:66–3:51; Exhibit K, '222 patent at 5:11–6:9; Exhibit L, '307 patent at 4:47–5:11.

49. For example, the Inventor developed systems and methods that generate, monitor, and authenticate packet watermarking data.

Technological Innovation

50. The patented invention disclosed in the Secure Server patents resolve technical problems related to the secure distribution of digitized value-added information, or media content, while preserving the ability of publishers to make available unsecured versions of the same value-added information, or media content, without adverse effect to the systems security.

As the Secure Server patents explain, one of the limitations of the prior art as regards the secure distribution of digitized value-add information or media content was that content could be encrypted, but there was no association between the encryption and the actual content. This meant that there could be no efficient and openly accessible market for tradable information that was securely distributable. (See Exhibit A, '246 patent at 1:48–56; Exhibit B, '295 patent at 1:22–26; '408 patent at 1:24-31.)

51. The claims of the Secure Server patents do not merely recite the performance of some well-known business practice from the pre-Internet world along with the requirement to perform it on the Internet. Instead, the claims of the Secure Server patents recite inventive concepts that are deeply rooted in engineering technology, and overcome problems specifically arising out of how to secure distribution of digitized value-added information, or media content, while preserving the ability of publishers to make available unsecured versions of the same value-added information, or media content, without adverse effect to the systems security.

52. In addition, the claims of the Secure Server patents recite inventive concepts that improve the functioning of secure personal content servers, particularly varying quality levels in a manner designed to improve security.

53. Moreover, the claims of the Secure Server patents recite inventive concepts that are not merely routine or conventional use of computer components. Instead, the patented invention disclosed in the Secure Server patents provide a new and novel solution to specific problems related to improving secure distribution of digitized value-added information, or media content, while preserving the ability of publishers to make available unsecured versions of the same value-added information, or media content, without adverse effect to the systems security.

54. And finally, the patented invention disclosed in the Secure Server patents does not preempt all the ways that secure distribution of digitized value-added information, or media content, while preserving the ability of publishers to make available unsecured versions of the same value-added information, or media content, without adverse effect to the systems security may be used to improve the personal content servers, nor do the Secure Server patents preempt any other well-known or prior art technology.

55. Accordingly, the claims in the Secure Server patents recite a combination of elements sufficient to ensure that the claim in substance and in practice amounts to significantly more than a patent-ineligible abstract idea.

56. The patented invention disclosed in the Trusted Transaction patents resolves technical problems related to transferring information between parties, particularly problems related to the utilization of sophisticated security, scrambling, and encryption technology by, for example, steganographic encryption, authentication, and security means. As the Trusted Transaction patents explain, one of the limitations of the prior art as regards the technical problems related to transferring information between parties was the difficulty of providing to a prospective acquirer of good or services full, accurate, and verifiable information regarding the nature, value, authenticity, and other suitability-related characteristics of the product in question. In that type of system, reciprocal and non-reciprocal systems could use non-secret algorithms to provide encryption and decryption. (*See* Exhibit D, '116 patent at 2:53–3:35; Exhibit E, '011 patent at 2:57–3:38.)

57. The claims of the Trusted Transaction patents do not merely recite the performance of some well-known business practice from the pre-Internet world along with the requirement to perform it on the Internet. Instead, the claims of the Trusted Transaction patents

recite inventive concepts that are deeply rooted in engineering technology, and overcome problems specifically arising out of how to enhance trust on the part of participants in the transaction.

58. In addition, the claims of the Trusted Transaction patents recite inventive concepts that improve the functioning of devices for conducting trusted transactions, particularly by creating a bridge between mathematically determinable security and analog or human measure of trust.

59. Moreover, the claims of the Trusted Transaction patents recite inventive concepts that are not merely routine or conventional use of computer components. Instead, the patented invention disclosed in the Trusted Transaction patents provides a new and novel solution to specific problems related to enhancing trust on the part of participants in a transaction.

60. And finally, the patented inventions disclosed in the Trusted Transaction patents do not preempt all the ways that enhancing trust on the part of participants in a transaction may be used to improve devices for trusted transactions, nor do the Trusted Transaction patents preempt any other well-known or prior art technology.

61. Accordingly, the claims in the Trusted Transaction patents recite a combination of elements sufficient to ensure that the claim in substance and in practice amounts to significantly more than a patent-ineligible abstract idea.

62. The patented invention disclosed in the Watermarking patents resolves technical problems related to protection of digital information particularly problems related to a method and device for data protection. As the Watermarking patents explain, one of the limitations of the prior art as regards the protection of digital information was that existing methods of copy

protection were too expensive and/or required outside determination and verification of the license. (*See* Exhibit F, '602 patent at 2:47–4:48; Exhibit G, '842 patent at 1:29–60.)

63. The claims of the Watermarking patents do not merely recite the performance of some well-known business practice from the pre-Internet world along with the requirement to perform it on the Internet. Instead, the claims of the Watermarking patents recite inventive concepts that are deeply rooted in engineering technology, and overcome problems specifically arising out of protecting digital information in a highly distributed computing environment.

64. In addition, the claims of the Watermarking patents recite inventive concepts that improve the functioning of devices for protecting digital information, particularly by combining transfer functions with predetermined key creation.

65. Moreover, the claims of the Watermarking patents recite inventive concepts that are not merely routine or conventional use of computer components. Instead, the patented invention disclosed in the Watermarking patents provides a new and novel solution to specific problems related to protecting digital information.

66. And finally, the patented inventions disclosed in the Watermarking patents do not preempt all the ways that protecting digital information may be used to improve devices for data protection, nor do the Watermarking patents preempt any other well-known or prior art technology.

67. Accordingly, the claims in the Watermarking patents recite a combination of elements sufficient to ensure that the claim in substance and in practice amounts to significantly more than a patent-ineligible abstract idea.

68. The patented invention disclosed in the Packet Transfer patents resolves technical problems related to optimizing and provisioning the allocation of bandwidth, particularly

problems related to better handling of the competitive needs between networks and the concept of Quality of Service. As the Packet Transfer patents explain, one of the limitations of the prior art as regards the protection of digital information was that users seek data objects which by their very structure or format may occupy large amounts of bandwidth, thereby creating bandwidth demand that has little or no relationship to how the data is valued by third parties, including owners of rights related to the objects. (*See* Exhibit H, '705 patent at 2:48–59; Exhibit I, '275 patent at 2:43–55; Exhibit J, '746 patent at 2:56–63; Exhibit K, '222 patent at 2:60–67; Exhibit L, '307 patent at 2:47–3:1).

69. The claims of the Packet Transfer patents do not merely recite the performance of some well-known business practice from the pre-Internet world along with the requirement to perform it on the Internet. Instead, the claims of the Packet Transfer patents recite inventive concepts that are deeply rooted in engineering technology, and overcome problems specifically arising out of optimizing and provisioning the allocation of bandwidth.

70. In addition, the claims of the Packet Transfer patents recite inventive concepts that improve the functioning of devices for packet watermarking and efficient provisioning of bandwidth.

71. Moreover, the claims of the Packet Transfer patents recite inventive concepts that are not merely routine or conventional use of computer components. Instead, the patented invention disclosed in the Packet Transfer patents provide a new and novel solution to specific problems related to optimizing and provisioning the allocation of bandwidth.

72. And finally, the patented inventions disclosed in the Packet Transfer patents do not preempt all the ways that bandwidth may be optimized and/or allocation, nor do the Packet Transfer patents preempt any other well-known or prior art technology.

73. Accordingly, the claims in the Packet Transfer patents recite a combination of elements sufficient to ensure that the claim in substance and in practice amounts to significantly more than a patent-ineligible abstract idea.

COUNT I – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,475,246

74. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this First Claim for Relief.

75. On January 6, 2009, the '246 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Secure Personal Content Server."

76. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '246 Patent by selling, offering to sell, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the "Accused Instrumentalities"). (available online at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-cable-Receiver/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 13.)

77. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the '246 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a local content server system ("LCS") for creating a secure environment for digital content. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter offers for sale multiple Spectrum Receivers (i.e. a LCS). *See* Ex. 13 at 1. Charter also offers for sale the Spectrum digital TV service for use with the Spectrum Receiver (i.e. a secure environment for digital content). *See* Charter's Spectrum website page entitled "Spectrum Cable TV- Digital Cable Television Service Provider"

(available online at <https://www.spectrum.com/cable-tv.html> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 14.)

78. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a communications port for connecting the system via a network to at least one Secure Electronic Content Distributor (“SECD”). Said SECD is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, as part of Charter’s Spectrum Receivers’ service only authorized users are allowed to view encrypted digital content. Charter controls at least one server that regulates the authorized access to this encrypted digital content, and at least one SECD. *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “What is Digital Encryption of a Channel?” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/switched-digital-video-sdv-overview/?cid=slp-con-ica-res-twc> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 15.) The various Spectrum Receivers contain a Cable In/port (i.e. a communications port) for connecting the systems via a network to Charter’s authorization server. *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Digital Receiver- Self Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 16.)

79. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a SECD storing a plurality of data sets. Said SECD is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter controls at least one server that regulates authorized access to the encrypted digital content, which utilizes at least one SECD. The Charter server(s) stores a plurality of digital video content (i.e. a plurality of data sets), including video on demand, for transmissions to the Spectrum Receivers. *See* Ex. 15 at 1; Ex. 14 at 1.

80. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a SECD receiving a request to transfer at least one content data set, and transmit at least one content data set in a

secured transmission. Said SECD is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, to view a video on-demand a Charter SECD must receive a request to transfer a video (i.e. at least one content data set) in order to transmit the video in a secured transmission. *See* Charter's Spectrum website page entitled "Spectrum Demand General Information" (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/spectrum-demand-general-information/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 17.)

81. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a rewritable storage medium whereby content received from outside the LCS is stored and received. Said rewritable storage medium is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Spectrum Receivers include a hard drive (i.e. a rewritable storage medium). The various Spectrum Receivers must receive and store the content. *See* Charter's Spectrum website page entitled "Arris DCX 3520e-M Installation Manual" (available at <https://d15yx0mnc9teae.cloudfront.net/sites/default/files/Arris%20DCX3520e-M%20High%20Definition%20DVR-1416000655.pdf> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 18 at 3.)

82. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a domain processor that imposes rules and procedures for content being transferred between the LCS and devices outside the LCS. Said domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Charter Spectrum Receivers include a central processing unit (i.e. a domain processor). *See* Ex. 18 at 1; Ex. 17 at 3.

83. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a programmable address module programmed with an identification code uniquely associated with the LCS. Said programmable address module is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For

example, various Charter Spectrum Receivers include a machine address code (“MAC”) address. This MAC address is an identification code, and is unique to the Spectrum Receiver. *See* Ex. 7 at 1.

84. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a domain processor permitting the LCS to receive digital content from outside the LCS provided the LCS first determines that the digital content being delivered to the LCS is authorized for use by the LCS. Said domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter’s various Spectrum Receivers allow a user to receive high definition (“HD”) video content (i.e. digital content). A user is only able to receive HD video content if they have subscribed to HD service (i.e. authorized for use by the LCS). *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “High Definition (HDTV) Troubleshooting” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/high-definition-tv-hdtv-and-high-definition-hd-channel-issues-troubleshooting/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 19.)

85. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a domain processor permitting the LCS to receive digital content from outside the LCS, and if the digital content is not authorized for use by the LCS, accepting the digital content at a predetermined quality level, said predetermined quality level having been set for legacy content. Said domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the various Spectrum Receivers provide to a user standard definition (“SD”) video content (i.e. digital content at a predetermined quality level, said predetermined quality level having been set for legacy content) if the user has not subscribed to an HD service (i.e. not authorized for use by the LCS). *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

86. The Accused Instrumentalities infringed and continues to infringe at least claim 1 of the '246 Patent during the pendency of the '246 Patent.

87. Since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the '246 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '246 Patent.

88. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '246 Patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '246 Patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

89. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

90. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT II – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,739,295

91. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Second Claim for Relief.

92. On May 27, 2014, the '295 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Secure Personal Content Server."

93. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '246 Patent by selling, offering to sell, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the "Accused Instrumentalities"). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2.

94. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the '295 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter offers for sale multiple Spectrum Receivers, which contain a LCS. *See* Ex. 14 at 1.

95. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS communications port. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, as part of the Spectrum TV service, Charter only authorized users to view encrypted digital content. Charter controls at least one server that regulates authorized access to this encrypted digital content (i.e. at least one SECD). *See* Ex. 15 at 1. Charter offers for sale various Spectrum Receivers, which include a "Cable In/FR In" port (i.e. LCS communications port). This "Cable In/" port connects the system via a network to Charter's authorization server. *See* Ex. 16 at 4.

96. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS storage unit for storing digital data. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Charter Spectrum Receivers include a hard drive (i.e. a rewritable storage medium). In order to play video content received from Charter's SECD, the various Spectrum Receivers must receive the content from the SECD and store the content. *See* Ex. 18 at 3.

97. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS domain processor that imposes a plurality of rules and procedures for content being transferred between said LCS and devices outside said LCS, thereby defining a first LCS domain. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Spectrum Receivers include a central processing unit (i.e. an LCS domain processor). *See Ex. 18 at 1.* The processor within the Spectrum Receivers imposes rules and procedures for content being transferred between the Spectrum Receivers and the Charter servers. *See Ex. 17 at 3.*

98. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS comprising a programmable address module which can be programmed with an LCS identification code uniquely associated with said LCS domain processor. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Spectrum Receivers include an identifier (i.e. an identification code) that is unique to the Spectrum Receivers. *See Ex. 7 at 1.*

99. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS which stores in said LCS storage unit a plurality of rules for processing a data set. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, various Spectrum Receivers must store a plurality of rules for processing data in order to play video content received from Charter. *See Ex. 18 at 3.*

100. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS configured to receive via said LCS communications port a first data set that includes data defining first content. Said method is found in various Spectrum Receivers, which allow a user to receive, via the communication port, data associated with a channel available from Charter (i.e. a first data set). Additionally, the Spectrum Receivers allow a user to receive a “channel lineup” listing the channels available (i.e. data defining first content). *See Spectrum website*

page entitled “Spectrum Guide” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/spectrum-guide-spectrum2/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 20.)

101. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS is configured to determine whether said first content belongs to a different LCS domain. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter’s Spectrum Receivers are configured to determine whether a given channel is part of the subscription package, and thus whether the available channels are available to the user of the Spectrum Receiver (i.e. determine whether said first content belongs to a different LCS domain than said first LCS domain). *See Ex. 19 at 1.*

102. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS excludes from said first LCS domain said first content when said LCS determines that said first content belongs to said different LCS domain. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter’s Spectrum Receivers are configured to exclude from available channels those channels for which a user does not have access through their current subscription (i.e. exclude from said first LCS domain said first content when said LCS determines that said first content belongs to said different LCS domain). *See Ex. 19 at 1.*

103. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS determines, upon receipt by said LCS of said first data set via said LCS communications port, from inspection of said first data set status value of said first data set to be at least one of unsecure, secure, and legacy. Said method comprising is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to determine whether data identifying a specific HD channel (i.e. a first data set) can be recorded. The

Spectrum Receiver is configured such that it will not record Spectrum “On Demand Programming.” In order to make this determination, the Spectrum Receiver must determine a data value (i.e. a first data set status value) indicating whether a channel may be recorded. This data value would indicate whether the channel is not recordable (i.e. secure) or recordable (i.e. unsecure). *See* Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum TV with DVR Frequently Asked Questions” (available online at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/charter-tv-dvr/> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 21.)

104. Furthermore, upon information and belief, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to determine whether data identifying a specific HD channel (i.e. first data set) is available for a user to view using the Spectrum Receiver. In order to make this determination, the Spectrum Receiver must determine a data value (i.e. first data set status value) indicating whether the channel is SD (i.e. legacy) or HD. *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

105. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS is configured to use said first data set status value to determine which set of rules to apply to process said first data set. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to use the indication of whether a channel is recordable to determine whether the Receiver can record the channel in response to a user request to do so (i.e. determining which of a set of rules to apply to process said first data set). Ex. 21 at 2. Alternatively, upon information and belief, the Spectrum receivers are configured to use the indication of whether a channel is in SD or HD to determine whether the Receiver can display the channel in response to a user’s request to do so (i.e. determine which set of rules to apply to process said first data set). *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

106. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS is configured to determine, at least in part from rights associated with an identification associated with a prompt received by said LCS for said first content, a quality level at which to transmit said first content. Said LCS found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to determine whether to transmit the requested secure content (i.e. a quality level at which to transmit said first content, wherein the quality level is secure), at least in part from a user's authentication from requesting the Spectrum On Demand Programming (i.e. first content). Spectrum also asks for a user's PIN number in ordering On Demand Programming. *See* Ex. 17 at 2; Ex. 21 at 2.

107. Alternatively, upon information and belief, the above described Accused Instrumentalities in the Spectrum Receivers are configured to determine whether to transmit the requested standard definition content (i.e. a quality level at which to transmit said first content, wherein the quality level is legacy), at least in part from a user's current subscription. *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

108. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS transmitting said first content at the determined quality level wherein said quality level is one of at least unsecure, secure, and legacy. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to transmit on demand programming (i.e. where quality level is secure). *See* Ex. 21 at 2. Alternatively, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to transmit SD channels (i.e. wherein said quality level is legacy). *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

109. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS wherein said LCS is configured to transmit said first content at the determined quality level in response to said prompt. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example,

the Spectrum Receivers are configured to transmit on demand programming in response to a user's selection of the programming and/or in response to a user's entering of the Purchase PIN (i.e. prompt). *See* Ex. 21 at 2; Ex. 17 at 2. Alternatively, the Spectrum Receivers are configured to transmit SD channels in response to a user's selection of the unavailable HD channel from the channel guide (i.e. prompt). *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

110. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the '295 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '295 patent.

111. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '295 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '295 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.). Additionally, Charter uses the Spectrum Receivers for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use the Spectrum Receivers in a method for using an LCS for providing conditional access to content.

112. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

113. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT III – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,934,408

114. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Third Claim for Relief.

115. On April 3, 2018, the ‘408 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title “Secure Personal Content Server.”

116. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the ‘408 patent by selling, offering to sell, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the “Accused Instrumentalities”). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2.

117. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the ‘408 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS for providing conditional access to content. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities, for example and as noted above, in the Spectrum Receivers (i.e. a LCS). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2. Additionally, Charter offers for sale the Spectrum digital TV service for use with the Spectrum Receivers (i.e. a secure environment for digital content). *See* Ex. 14 at 1.

118. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS comprising a LCS address module storing an LCS identification code. Said LCS is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, the Spectrum Receivers include a hard drive (i.e. an identification code). This hard drive stores an identifier uniquely identifying the Receiver (i.e. an LCS identification code). *See* Ex. 18 at 3; Ex. 7 at 1.

119. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS storage unit for storing content in encrypted or scrambled digital form in non-transient memory. Said

LCS storage unit is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, the various Receivers include a hard drive (i.e. a LCS storage unit) for storing data. Charter encrypts all of its channels for delivery to the Spectrum Receivers. *See* Ex. 15 at 1.

120. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS communications port designed to receive content in the form of digital data. Said LCS communications port is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the various Spectrum Receivers include a “Cable In” port (i.e. an LCS communications port) for receiving content in the form of digital data. *See* Ex. 16 at 4.

121. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS domain processor for processing digital data, wherein said LCS domain processor is configured to determine if encrypted or scrambled first content received by said LCS communications port contains indicia indicating authenticity, and storing said first content in said LCS storage unit in encrypted or scrambled digital form when said LCS domain processor determines that said encrypted or scrambled first content contains indicia indicating authenticity. Said LCS domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, various Spectrum Receivers include a central processing unit (i.e. an LCS domain processor). *See* Ex. 18 at 11. The processor within the Spectrum Receiver determines if a channel (i.e. first content) that a user wishes to view is authorized by the user’s current subscriptions (i.e. contains indicia indicating authenticity). *See* Ex. 19 at 1. Furthermore, Charter encrypts all of its channels, and the videos on those channels (i.e. the first content) are stored on the Spectrum Receivers in encrypted form when the Receiver determines that the user’s subscription authorizes viewing the channel. *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

122. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS domain processor for processing digital data, wherein said LCS domain processor is configured to determine if encrypted or scrambled first content received by said LCS communications port contains indicia indicating lack of authenticity, and to not store said first content in said LCS storage unit when said LCS domain processor determines that said encrypted or scrambled first content received by said LCS communications port contains indicia indicating lack of authenticity. Said LCS domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter encrypts all of its channels, and the video on those channels. Video on those channels (i.e. first content) is not stored on the Spectrum Receiver in encrypted form when the Receiver determines that the user's subscription does not authorize viewing the channel. *See Ex. 19 at 1.*

123. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a LCS domain processor for processing digital data, wherein said LCS domain processor is configured to determine if encrypted or scrambled first content received by said LCS communications port contains neither one of indicia indicating authenticity and indicia indicating lack of authenticity and degrade said first content, and store the degraded first content in said LCS storage unit when said LCS domain processor determines that said first content contains neither one of indicia indicating authenticity and indicia indicating lack of authenticity. Said LCS domain processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter encrypts all of its channels, including SD video for which a user is not authorized to view the HD version (i.e. neither one of indicia indicating authenticity and indicia indicating lack of authenticity). When the user is not authorized to view the HD version, the Receiver still displays the standard-version (i.e. degrades said first content). *See Ex. 19 at 1.* Furthermore, in order to display the standard-definition

content, the Spectrum Receivers must store the standard-definition content in local storage. *See* Ex. 19 at 1.

124. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 8 of the '408 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '408 patent.

125. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '408 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '408 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.). Additionally, Charter uses the Spectrum Receivers for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use the Spectrum Receivers in a method for using an LCS for providing conditional access to content.

126. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

127. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT IV – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,159,116

128. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Fourth Claim for Relief.

129. On January 2, 2007, the '116 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Systems, Methods, and Devices for Trusted Transactions."

130. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '116 patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products, specifically one or more apps, which by way of example include the "Charter" app (the "Accused Instrumentalities" for the purposes of this section). *See* Spectrum website page entitled "Stream TV App- TV Shows, Live TV, & Movies" (available online at <https://www.spectrum.com/cable-tv/spectrum-tv-app.html> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 9.)

131. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 14 of the '116 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting a trusted transaction between at least two parties who have agree to transact. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter owns and operates cable TV services, including the "Spectrum" brand. *See* Jacob Kastrenakes article entitled "Charter Officially Owns Time Warner Cable, Creating The US's Second Largest Cable Provider" (available online at <https://www.theverge.com/2016/5/18/11700208/charter-twc-bright-house-merger-complete-second-largest-cable-provider-us> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 1.) Charter provides to at least one user (i.e. at least two parties who have agreed to transact) multiple apps, including the "Charter" app available from the Google Play store, among other places. Charter maintains at least one server (i.e. a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties) on which Charter's app downloading and authentication services ("App Server") are hosted. *See* Ex. 9 at 1.

132. Furthermore, upon information and belief, Charter desires the above-referenced apps (available via the Google Play store or other sources) to be as secure as possible. As detailed below, the best practices for securing apps available via the Google Play store are outlined in Google's Android developer's guidelines. Therefore, Charter's App Server makes its apps, including the Charter Stream TV app, available via the Google Play store in a similar manner to the practice described in Google's Android developer's guidelines. *See* Google's Android website page entitled "Adding Licensing to Your App" (available at <https://developer.android.com/google/play/licensing/adding-licensing> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 11.)

133. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities contain a device comprising a means for uniquely identifying information selected from the group consisting of a unique identification of one of the parties, a unique identification of the transaction, a unique identification of value added information to be transacted, a unique identification of value adding component. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter's App Server includes one or more components configured to identify at least "the most recent successful license response in local persistent storage (i.e. a unique identification of a value adding component). *See* Ex. 11 at 4.

134. Furthermore and as noted above, upon information and belief, Charter desires its above-referenced apps (available via the Google Play store or other sources) to be as secure as possible. The best practices for securing apps available via the Google Play store are outlined in Google's Android developer's guidelines. Therefore, Charter's App Server makes its apps, including the Charter app (available via the Google Play store) in a similar manner to the practice described in Google's Android developer's guidelines. The above-mentioned Google's Android

developer's guidelines are used by Google's License Verification Library ("LVL") in its Charter App, which is again available through the Google Play store. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2, 4. Google's LVL allows Google Play to send a licensed check to Charter's App Server. *See* Ex. at 1-2.

Charter implements the license verification in order to best protect its available apps.

Additionally and as noted above, Charter implements a custom license policy to best protect its available apps. One of Google's recommended design points for a custom policy is obfuscation of license response (i.e. a unique identification of a value adding component). *See* Ex. 11 at 4.

135. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities contain a device comprising a steganographic cipher for generating said unique identification information. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter's App Server employs a steganographic cipher for generating the most recent successful license report (i.e. unique identification information). Charter incorporates into its Charter app (available through the Google Play store, amongst other places) an obfuscation program similar to the AESObfuscator found in Google's LVL. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2. One of Google's recommended design points for a custom policy is obfuscation of license response (i.e. a unique identification of a value adding component). *See* Ex. 11 at 4. Google's LVL allows Google Play to send a license check to Charter's App Server. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2. Charter implements the license verification and a custom license policy in order to best protect its available apps.

136. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities contain a device comprising a steganographic cipher wherein the steganographic cipher is governed by at least the following elements: a predetermined key, a predetermined message, and a predetermined carrier signal. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, Charter's App Server employs a steganographic cipher for generating the most recent

successful license report (i.e. unique identification information). Charter incorporates in its Charter app (available through the Google Play store, amongst other places) an obfuscation program similar to the AESObfuscator found in Google's LVL. The obfuscation provided by Google is an interface called "AESObfuscator" (i.e. a steganographic cipher). The AESObfuscator "seed[s] the encryption using three data fields provided by the application," a "salt" (an array of random bytes) (i.e. a predetermined key), an "application identifier string, typically the package name of the application" (i.e. a predetermined carrier signal), and "a device identifier string, derived from as many device-specific sources as possible, so as to make it unique" (i.e. a predetermined message). *See* Ex. 11 at 7.

137. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities contain a device comprising a steganographic cipher wherein the steganographic cipher is governed by at least a means for verifying an agreement to transact between the parties. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, said device is found within Charter's App Server. As noted previously, Charter desires its above-referenced available apps (via the Google Play store or other sources) to be as secure as possible. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2. The best practices for securing apps available via the Google Play store are outlined in Google's Android developer's guidelines. Therefore, Charter's App Server makes its apps, including the Charter app (available via the Google Play store) in a similar manner to the practice described in Google's Android developer's guidelines. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2. In line with Google's Android developer's guidelines, Charter's App Server includes one or more components to verify the license information (an agreement to transact between the parties) in order to authorize the download and/or installation of Charter's apps, including the Charter app. *See* 11 at 9-10.

138. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 14 of the '116 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 14 of the '116 patent.

139. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '116 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '116 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

140. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

141. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT V – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,538,011

142. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Fifth Claim for Relief.

143. On September 17, 2013, the '011 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Systems, Methods, and Devices for Trusted Transactions."

144. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '011 patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products,

specifically one or more apps, which by way of example include the Spectrum TV app and Charter app (the “Accused Instrumentalities” for the purposes of this section). (See Ex. 9 at 1.)

145. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 35 of the ‘011 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities includes a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties. For example and as noted above, Charter owns and operates cable television services, including under the Spectrum brand. *See* Ex. 1 at 1-2. Charter provides to at least one use (i.e. at least two parties who have agreed to transact) multiple apps, including the “Spectrum TV app” available from the Google Play store (amongst other places). Charter maintains at least one server (i.e. a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties) on which Charter’s App Server are hosted. *See* Ex. 9 at 1.

146. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties, comprising a steganographic cipher. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, Charter’s App Server employs a steganographic cipher. Furthermore, Charter incorporates Google’s LVL in its Charter app, which is available through the Google Play store. As noted above, Google’s LVL allows Google Play to send a license check to Charter’s App Server. *See* Ex. 11 at 1-2. One of Google’s recommended design points for a custom policy is obfuscation of a license response. Charter implements a license verification and custom license policy to best protect its available apps. *See* Ex. 17 at 4. The obfuscation provided by Google for Charter’s available apps including the Charter app, is an AESObfuscator (a steganographic cipher). The AESObfuscator “seed[s] the encryption using three data fields provided by the application,” a “salt” (an array of random bytes) (i.e. a predetermined key), an “application identifier string, typically the package name of the application” (i.e. a predetermined carrier signal), and “a device

identifier string, derived from as many device-specific sources as possible, so as to make it unique” (i.e. a predetermined message). *See* Ex. 17 at 7.

147. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties, comprising a controller for receiving input data or outputting output data and at least one input/output connection. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter App Server includes a controller for receiving input data or outputting output data. *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Stream TV App-TV Shows, Live TV, & Movies” (available at <https://www.spectrum.com/cable-tv/spectrum-tv-app.html> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 10.)

148. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties, wherein the device has at least one input/output connection. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter App Server includes at least one input/output connection. *See* Ex. 10 at 1.

149. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device wherein the device has a device identification code stored in the device. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter App Server has an IP address, media access control (“MAC”) address, or other device identification code stored in the device.

150. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties, wherein the device has an analog to digital converter. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter App Server has input/output and communications capabilities (i.e. an analog-to-digital converter).

151. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties, wherein the device has a steganographically ciphered software application, wherein said steganographically ciphered software application has been subject to a steganographic cipher for serialization. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter App Server provides multiple apps (including the Charter app) whose code has been obfuscated in order to hinder reverse engineering (i.e. a steganographically ciphered software application). Charter obfuscates its apps' source code in a manner similar to that described by Google in its guidelines for app developers, stating: "To ensure the security of your application, particularly for a paid application that uses licensing and/or custom constraints and protections, it's very important to obfuscate your application code. Properly obfuscating your code makes it more difficult for a malicious user to decompile the application's bytecode, modifying it- such as by removing the licensing check- and then recompile." *See* Ex. 11 at 20.

152. Furthermore, upon information and belief, ProGuard obfuscates the actual code of the app. For instance, the ProGuard obfuscates the actual code by replacing human-readable names in compiled code with "short, machine generated alternatives. Rather than seeing a call to `dontAllow()`, an attacker would see a call to `a()`. This makes it more difficult to intuit the purpose of these functions without access to the original source code. *See* Trevor Johns article entitled "Securing Android LVL Applications" (available at <https://android-developers.googleblog.com/2010/09/securing-android-lvl-applications.html> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 12.) The code obfuscation provided by ProGuard and/or the license data obfuscation provided by Google's AESObfuscator (i.e. a steganographic cipher) allows the code to be ciphered for persistent storage. *See* Ex. 11 at 4.

153. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties wherein said steganographic cipher receives said output data, steganographically ciphering said output data using a key to define steganographically ciphered output data. Said steganographic cipher is found in the Accused Instrumentality. For example and as noted above, Charter's App Server makes use of steganographic ciphers similar to Google's AESObfuscator and/or ProGuard. *See Ex. 11 at 7.* Therefore, Charter's App server defines steganographically ciphered output data. As another example, the AESObfuscator defines steganographically ciphered license responses. *See Ex. 11 at 7.* Additionally, ProGuard defines steganographically ciphered code. *See Ex. 12 at 2.*

154. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties wherein said steganographic cipher transmits said steganographically ciphered output data to said at least one input/output connection. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, the Charter App Server provides multiple apps (including the Charter app), available from the Google Play store (amongst other places). The Charter App Server transmits the steganographically ciphered output data (i.e. the steganographically ciphered code and/or code containing the steganographically ciphered license response) via at least one output/input connection. *See Ex. 10 at 1.*

155. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a device for conducting trusted transactions between at least two parties wherein the device is configured to steganographically cipher both value-added information and at least one value-added component associated with the value-added information. Said device is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as detailed above, Charter's App Server makes use of

steganographic ciphers similar to Google's AESObfuscator and/or ProGuard. Therefore, Charter's App server is configured to steganographically cipher license information and/or proprietary source code. This is demonstrated by Google's AESObfuscator and ProGuard, which define steganographically ciphered license responses as well as an application identifier string, and steganographically ciphered code including various proprietary code portions, respectively. *See* Ex. 11 at 7; Ex. 12 at 2.

156. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 35 of the '011 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 35 of the '011 patent.

157. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '011 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '011 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

158. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

159. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT VI – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,021,602

160. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Sixth Claim for Relief.

161. On April 28, 2015, the ‘602 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title “Data Protection Method and Device.”

162. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the ‘602 patent by selling, offering for sale, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the “Accused Instrumentalities”). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2.

163. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the ‘602 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by an application software. Said computer-based method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, Charter owns and operates cable television services, including those under the “Spectrum” brand. *See* Ex. 1 at 1-2. Charter requires its Spectrum Receivers to be authenticated when connected to a TV for the first time (i.e. a computer-based method for accessing functionality). The method is performed at least by authentication software (i.e. provided by an application software). Charter performs this method at least in its testing and development of the Spectrum Receivers and the software stored therein. *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum Receiver Self-Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 2); Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum

Receiver Self-Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 3); Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum Receiver Self-Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 4); Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum Receiver Self-Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 5.)

164. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by storing said application software in non-transient memory of a computer. Said computer-based method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the authentication software is stored in the non-transient memory of the Charter authentication server(s), which provide web-based interface via the “activate.spectrum.net.” website. *See* Charter’s Spectrum website page entitled “Spectrum Receiver Self-Install” (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 6.)

165. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by said application software in said computer prompting a user to enter into said computer personalization information. Said computer-based method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the authentication process for Charter’s Spectrum Receivers requires at least the phone number and/or account number. *See* Ex. 4 at 1.

166. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by said application software storing, in said

non-transient memory, in a personalization data resource, both computer configuration information of said computer, and a license code entered in response to said prompting. Said computer-based method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Charter authentication server(s) store, in non-transient memory, at least the authenticated identity associated with a particular user (i.e. computer configuration information) and the identity of an authenticated Spectrum Receiver associated with the user's account (i.e. a license code) stored in response to the user entering personalization information. Charter's Spectrum website page entitled "Spectrum Receiver Self-Install" (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 7.)

167. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by said application software in said computer generating a proper decoding key, said generating comprising using said license code. Said application software is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, in order remotely activate the Spectrum receiver, Charter generates a decoding key using the identity of the authenticated Spectrum Receiver associated with the user's account (i.e. said license code). Charter communicates this key to the Spectrum receiver in order to allow normal operation of the receiver. *See* Ex. 7 at 1; Charter's Spectrum website page entitled "Spectrum Receiver Self-Install" (available at <https://www.spectrum.net/support/tv/digital-receiver-self-install/> (last accessed Dec. 18, 2018) attached hereto as Exhibit 8.)

168. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a computer-based method for accessing functionality provided by said application wherein said application software, in said computer, cannot access at least one encoded code resource of said application

software, unless said license code is stored in said personalization data resource. Said application is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the Spectrum authentication program running on the Spectrum authentication server(s) cannot access the “authentication” part of the program (the portion of the program that causes the decoding key to be sent to the authentication receiver (i.e. at least one encoded code resource of said application software) unless the identity of the authenticated receiver (i.e. said license code) is stored in the personalization data resource (i.e. the portion of non-transient computer memory containing the authenticated user’s authorization session. *See* Ex. 17 at 1.

169. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the ‘602 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter’s partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the ‘602 patent. Additionally, Charter induces the users of the Spectrum Receivers to perform the method described above in the claims by instructing them how to authenticate the Receiver when connected to a TV for the first time. *See* Ex. 2 at 1.

170. In particular, Charter’s actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the ‘602 patent and

that its acts were inducing infringement of the ‘602 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

171. On information and belief, Charter’s infringement has been and continues to be willful.

172. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter’s infringing activities.

COUNT VII – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,104,842

173. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Seventh Claim for Relief.

174. On August 11, 2015, the ‘842 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title “Data Protection Method and Device.”

175. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the ‘842 patent by selling, offering for sale, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the “Accused Instrumentalities”). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2.

176. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the ‘842 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a method for licensed software use. Said method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, Charter Charter owns and operates cable television services under the “Spectrum” brand. *See* Ex. 1 at 1-2. Charter requires its Spectrum receivers to be authenticated when connected to a TV for the first time (i.e. a method for licensed software use). Said method is performed at least by the activation application. *See* Ex. 2 at 1. Spectrum performs this method at least in its testing and

development of the Spectrum receivers and the software stored therein. *See* Ex. 3 at 1; Ex. 4 at 1.

177. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for licensed software use, comprising loading a software product on a computer, said computer comprising a processor, memory, an input, an output, so that said computer is programmed to execute said software product. Said method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, when setting up a Spectrum receiver for the first time the activation application (i.e. software produce) is loaded onto a personal computing device (e.g. a smartphone or personal computer) (i.e. a computer) so that the TV Receiver executes the activation application. *See* Ex. 2 at 1; Ex. 3 at 1.

178. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for licensed software use, said software product outputting a prompt for input of license information. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, as part of the activation process the activation application prompts a user for the user's phone number and/or account number (i.e. input of license information). *See* Ex. 4 at 1.

179. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for licensed software use, said software product using license information entered via said input in response to said prompt in a routine designed to decode a first license code encoded in said software product. Said method and software product are included in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, as part of the activation process the activation application uses the phone number and/or account number to decode license information associated with the user's account (i.e. a first license code) encoded in the activation application. *See* Ex. 5 at 1. As another example, in order to maintain data security, Charter

encrypts the license information communicated between the computer and Charter's authentication server(s) using an encrypted Internet communication protocol such as HTTPS. Therefore, in order to maintain data security, the Charter authentication software generates a decoding key for use in authorization.

180. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the '842 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '842 patent. Additionally, Charter induces the users of the Spectrum Receivers to perform the method by instructing them how to authenticate the Receiver when connected to a TV for the first time. *See* Ex. 15 at 3-4.

181. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '842 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '842 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

182. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

183. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT VIII – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,224,705

184. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Eighth Claim for Relief.

185. On July 17, 2012, the ‘705 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title “Methods, Systems and Devices for Packet Watermarking and Efficient Provisioning of Bandwidth.”

186. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the ‘705 patent by selling, offering for sale, using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Spectrum Receivers, which by way of example include Arris DCX 3520-eM, Motorola DCH 3200, Motorola DCH 3416, Motorola DCH 6200, Motorola DCH 6416HD, Motorola DCT 3416HD, Motorola DCT 5100HD, Motorola DCT 6200HD, and Motorola DCX 3200HD (the “Accused Instrumentalities”). *See* Ex. 13 at 1-2.

187. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 8 of the ‘705 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service said method. Said electronic method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter sells live TV and video on demand services, including individual pay-per-view (“PPV”) content items. Thus, Charter performs an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service. *See* Ex. 17 at 3.

188. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service said method, establishing a communication link between a vending system and a purchasing system; and transmitting a stream of data comprising a plurality of packets using a packet watermark protocol. Said electronic method is found in the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, when a Charter subscriber watches a live

TV channel or a PPV item, a communication link is established between a Charter network element (i.e. vending system), such as a server, and the subscriber's cable modem ("CM") (i.e. purchasing system) to deliver a selected live TV channel or PPV item. The live TV channel or PPV item is delivered in a stream of data, and communication between the Charter server and the cable modem is performed in accordance with the DOCSIS 3.1 standard (i.e. packet watermark protocol). The subscriber's DOCSIS 3.1-compatible cable modem is Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR. *See* Spectrum website article entitled "Arris DCX 3520e-M Installation Manual" (available online at <https://d15yx0mnc9teae.cloudfront.net/sites/default/files/Arris%20DCX3520e-M%20High%20Definition%20DVR-1416000655.pdf> (last visited Dec. 18, 2018), a copy of which is available as Exhibit 19); DOCSIS 3.1 Security Specification, CM-SP-SECV3.1-I07-170111, §1.25 at 13 (attached hereto as Exhibit 22 at 13.)

189. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service said method, generating a packet watermark associated with the stream of data wherein the packet watermark enables identification of at least one of the plurality of packets; and combining the packet watermark with each of the plurality of packets to form watermarked packets. Said electronic method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the DOCSIS 3.1 defines a Base Line Privacy Plus ("BPI+") architecture that applies to various communication between a CM and upstream network nodes, such as a cable modem termination system ("CMTS"). A DOCSIS 3.1 CM must support a primary security association ("SA") and fifteen additional SAs that can be used as dynamic SAs or static SAs. A CMTS must support a primary SA for each CM and at least one dynamic SA per CMTS. A SA's shared information includes the cryptographic suite in use, traffic encryption

keys, and lifetime (i.e., expiration period) of associated keying information. Each SA is identified with a 14-bit handle called a security association identifier (“SAID”). *See* Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-34.

190. Furthermore, upon information and belief, the above detailed CM encrypts upstream traffic using its primary SA. Downstream traffic can be encrypted using a SA, which varies depending on whether a packet is intended for a single or multiple CMs (e.g., unicast vs. multicast). Upstream and downstream packets either include a SAID or a quality of service (“QoS”) service identifier (“SID”) that can be used to deduce the relevant SAID. Once the SAID is identified, the receiving device knows how to decrypt the payload of the packet, because the SAID can be used to identify the relevant cryptographic keying information. The generation of the SAID or QoS SID is a generation of a packet watermark that enables identification of packets that correspond to a particular stream/flow, as different streams/flows will be tagged with different SAIDs or QoS SIDs. Each packet of the stream/flow includes the SAID or SID (i.e., the packet watermark is combined with each packet to form watermarked packets), and DOCSIS 3.1 defines several packet formats to choose from. These packet formats include a variable-length PDU MAC frame format, a fragmentation MAC frame format, and a registration request (REG-REQ-MP) MAC management message format. *See* Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-34.

191. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service said method, wherein the transmitting is for at least one of the following: receiving a request to purchase a selected item; determining a purchase value for the selected item; causing a debit to the purchaser’s account in an amount of bandwidth usage which corresponds to the agreed upon value for the selected item; and sending an instruction to deliver the selected item. Said electronic method is found in the Accused

Instrumentalities. For example, in the context of a live TV channel, the DOCSIS 3.1 communication identified in the previous paragraphs is, *inter alia*, for sending an instruction to deliver the selected TV channel. Furthermore, in the context of a PPV item, the DOCSIS 3.1 communication identified in the previous paragraphs is, *inter alia*, for receiving a request to purchase the selected PPV item and/or sending an instruction to deliver the selected PPV item. *See* Ex. 17 at 3.

192. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 8 of the '705 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 8 of the '705 patent. Additionally, Charter uses the Spectrum Receivers for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use the Spectrum Receivers in an electronic method for selling at least one item and/or service.

193. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '705 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '705 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

194. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

195. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT IX – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,287,275

196. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Ninth Claim for Relief.

197. On October 23, 2007, the '275 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Methods, Systems and Devices for Packet Watermarking and Efficient Provisioning of Bandwidth."

198. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '275 patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Charter servers used to transmit a stream of data, including, for example, when Spectrum television or Internet access services are provided (for the purposes of this section, the "Accused Instrumentalities").

199. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the '275 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a method for transmitting a stream of data. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, Charter performs a method for transmitting a stream of data, including when Spectrum TV or data (e.g. Internet access) services are provided.

200. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for transmitting a stream of data, receiving a stream of data; organizing the stream of data into a plurality of packets. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities, as illustrated by internal Charter documents regarding Charter's network architecture, which label subscriber devices as Internet Protocol ("IP") hosts. Therefore, communication between a network element

(e.g. a server or CMTS) and the subscriber devices is in the form of packets. Accordingly, when a subscriber watches a live TV channel or a PPV item, a Charter network element receives a stream of data corresponding to the live TV channel or PPV item and organizes the stream of data into packets for transmission. *See* Ex. 17 at 3; Alan Breznick article entitled “Charter Races to Wrap Up DOCSIS 3.1” (available at http://www.broadbandworldnews.com/author.asp?section_id=472&doc_id=745082 (last visited Dec. 19, 2018) and attached hereto as Exhibit 23.); Ex. 22 at 13.

201. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for transmitting a stream of data, generating a packet watermark associated with the stream of data wherein the packet watermark enables identification of at least one of the plurality of packets; combining the packet watermark with each of the plurality of packets to form watermarked packets. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, communication with the subscriber’s CM is performed in accordance with the DOCSIS 3.1 standard. The subscriber’s DOCSIS 3.1-compatible cable modem is Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR. *See* Ex. 18 at 1. DOCSIS 3.1 defines a BPI+ architecture that applies to various communication between a CM and upstream network nodes, such as a CMTS. A DOCSIS 3.1 CM must support a primary SA and 15 additional SAs that can be used as dynamic SAs or static SAs. A CMTS must support a primary SA for each CM and at least one dynamic SA (per CMTS). A SA’s shared information includes the cryptographic suite in use, traffic encryption keys, and lifetime (i.e., expiration period) of associated keying information. Each SA is identified with a 14-bit handle called a SAID. *See* Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-33.

202. Furthermore, upon information and belief, the CM encrypts upstream traffic using its primary SA. Downstream traffic can be encrypted using a SA that varies depending on whether a packet is intended for a single or multiple CMs (e.g., unicast vs. multicast). As noted above, upstream and downstream packets either include a SAID or a QoS SID that can be used to deduce the relevant SAID. Once the SAID is identified, the receiving device knows how to decrypt the payload of the packet, because the SAID can be used to identify the relevant cryptographic keying information. The generation of the SAID or QoS SID is generation of a packet watermark that enables identification of packets that correspond to a particular stream/flow, as different streams/flows will be tagged with different SAIDs or QoS SIDs. Each packet of a stream/flow includes the SAID or SID (i.e., the packet watermark is combined with each packet to form watermarked packets), and DOCSIS 3.1 defines several packet formats to choose from. These packet formats include a variable-length PDU MAC frame format, a fragmentation MAC frame format, and a registration request (REG-REQ-MP) MAC management message format. *See* Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-33. The watermarked packets are transmitted across Charter's distribution network, as indicated by the fact that the subscriber is able to successfully watch a live TV channel or a PPV item, access a website on the internet, etc.

203. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the '275 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '275 patent.

204. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '275 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '275 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.). Additionally, Charter uses Spectrum television or Internet access services for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use Spectrum television or Internet access services in a method for securely transmitting a stream of data.

205. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

206. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT X – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,473,746

207. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Tenth Claim for Relief.

208. On June 25, 2013, the '746 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Methods, Systems and Devices for Packet Watermarking and Efficient Provisioning of Bandwidth."

209. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '746 patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Charter servers used to transmit a stream of data, including, for example, when Spectrum television or Internet access services are provided (for the purposes of this section, the "Accused Instrumentalities"). (See Ex. 1 at 1–3.)

210. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 9 of the '746 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a method for generating a watermarked packet. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, and as noted above, Charter performs a method for generating a watermarked packet including, as noted above, when Spectrum TV or data (e.g. Internet access) services are provided.

211. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for generating a watermarked packet comprising a processor applying an algorithm to at least (1) a packet watermark and (2) packet content, thereby generating a watermark identification ("WID"). Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, internal Charter documents regarding Charter's network architecture label subscriber devices as Internet Protocol ("IP") hosts. Therefore, upstream communication from a subscriber's cable modem (CM) and a network element (e.g., server or CMTS) and a subscriber device is in the form of packets. Charter's DOCSIS 3.1 compatible CM is the Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR, which upon information and belief includes a processor. *See Ex. 17 at 1; Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 13, 22-24, 28.*

212. Furthermore, upon information and belief, as noted above the DOCSIS 3.1 defines a BPI+ architecture that applies to various communication between a CM and upstream network nodes, such as a CMTS. A DOCSIS 3.1 CM must support a primary SA and 15 additional SAs that can be used as dynamic SAs or static SAs. A CMTS must support a primary SA for each CM and at least one dynamic SA (per CMTS). A SA's shared information includes the cryptographic suite in use, traffic encryption keys, and lifetime (i.e., expiration period) of associated keying information. Each SA is identified with a 14-bit SAID. *See Ex. 17 at 1; Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 13, 22-24, 28.*

213. Additionally, upon information and belief, as noted above the CM encrypts upstream traffic using its primary SA. Downstream traffic can be encrypted using a SA that varies depending on whether a packet is intended for a single or multiple CMs (e.g., unicast vs. multicast). Upstream and downstream packets either include a SAID or a QoS SID that can be used to deduce the relevant SAID. Once the SAID is identified, the receiving device knows how to decrypt the payload of the packet, because the SAID can be used to identify the relevant cryptographic keying information. The SAID or QoS SID is a packet watermark and the encrypted payload of the packet is the packet content, and the processor of the XB6 generates a watermark identification based on the combination of the two. *See* Ex. 5 at 1; Ex. 19 at 29; Ex. 22 at 13; Ex. 20 at 2; Ex. 21 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28.

214. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method for generating a watermarked packet wherein said packet content is less than all data of a data object. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, DOCSIS 3.1 defines several packet formats to choose from, including a fragmentation MAC frame format. The fragmentation MAC frame format is used when the packets are fragments of a larger upstream MAC frame (i.e. the packet content is less than all of a data object). *See* Ex. 22 at 31-32.

215. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a processor generating a watermarked packet comprising said packet watermark and at least some of said packet content. Said processor is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, as noted above watermarked packets are transmitted across Charter's distribution network, as indicated by the fact that the subscriber is able to successfully watch a live TV channel or a PPV item, access a website on the Internet, etc. Each of the packets transmitted in accordance with

the fragmentation MAC frame format includes the packet watermark (SID) and an encrypted payload (packet content). A processor in the CM generates the packets.

216. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 9 of the '746 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 9 of the '746 patent. Additionally, Charter uses Spectrum television or Internet access services for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use Spectrum television or Internet access services in a method for securely transmitting a stream of data.

217. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '746 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '746 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

218. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

219. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT XI – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT REISSUE NO. RE 44,222

220. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Eleventh Claim for Relief.

221. On May 14, 2013, the '222 patent was duly and legally reissued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Methods, Systems and Devices for Packet Watermarking and Efficient Provisioning of Bandwidth."

222. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '222 patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Charter servers used to transmit a stream of data, including, for example, when Spectrum television or Internet access services are provided (for the purposes of this section, the "Accused Instrumentalities").

223. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 1 of the '222 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a process for transmitting a stream of data. Said process is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, and as noted above, when Charter performs a method for transmitting a stream of data, including when Spectrum TV or data (e.g. Internet access) services are provided.

224. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a process for transmitting a stream of data, receiving a stream of data; organizing the stream of data into a plurality of packets. Said process is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. As noted above, said process is illustrated by internal Charter documents regarding Charter's network architecture label subscriber devices as IP hosts. This demonstrates communication between a network element (e.g. a server or CMTS) and the subscriber devices is in the form of packets. Accordingly, when a subscriber watches a live TV channel or a pay per view (PPV) item, a Charter network element receives a stream of data corresponding to the live TV channel or PPV item and organizes the stream of data into packets for transmission. *See* Ex. 17 at 1; Ex. 18 at 1; Ex. 22 at 13.

225. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a process for transmitting a stream of data, generating a packet watermark associated with the stream of data wherein the packet watermark enables identification of at least one of the plurality of packets; combining the packet watermark with each of the plurality of packets to form watermarked packets. For example and as noted above, said process is found within the Accused Instrumentalities when communication with the subscriber's CM is performed in accordance with the DOCSIS 3.1 standard. The subscriber's DOCSIS 3.1-compatible cable modem is Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR. DOCSIS 3.1 defines a BPI+ architecture that applies to various communication between a CM and upstream network nodes, such as a CMTS. A DOCSIS 3.1 CM must support a primary SA and 15 additional SAs that can be used as dynamic SAs or static SAs. A CMTS must support a primary SA for each CM and at least one dynamic SA (per CMTS). A SA's shared information includes the cryptographic suite in use, traffic encryption keys, and lifetime (i.e., expiration period) of associated keying information. Each SA is identified with a 14-bit SAID. *See* Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-33.

226. Furthermore, upon information and belief, the CM encrypts upstream traffic using its primary SA. Downstream traffic can be encrypted using a SA that varies depending on whether a packet is intended for a single or multiple CMs (e.g., unicast vs. multicast). Upstream and downstream packets either include a SAID or a QoS SID, which can be used to deduce the relevant SAID. Once the SAID is identified, the receiving device knows how to decrypt the payload of the packet because the SAID can be used to identify the relevant cryptographic keying information. The generation of the SAID or QoS SID is generation of a packet watermark that indicates packet integrity, as unauthorized devices would not be in possession of the necessary keying information to decrypt packet payloads. Each packet of a stream/flow

includes the SAID or SID (i.e., the packet watermark is combined with each packet to form watermarked packets), and DOCSIS 3.1 defines several packet formats to choose from. These packet formats include a variable-length PDU MAC frame format, a fragmentation MAC frame format, and a registration request (REG-REQ-MP) MAC management message format. *See* Ex. 23 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-33.

227. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a process for transmitting a stream of data, transmitting at least one of the watermarked packets across a network. Said process is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, the watermarked packets are transmitted across Charter's distribution network. As noted above, this is indicated by the fact that the subscriber is able to successfully watch a live TV channel or a PPV item, access a website on the Internet, etc.

228. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 1 of the '222 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 1 of the '222 patent.

229. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '222 patent and

that its acts were inducing infringement of the '222 patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

230. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

231. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

COUNT XII – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT REISSUE NO. RE 44,307

232. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs are incorporated into this Twelfth Claim for Relief.

233. On June 18, 2013, the '307 Patent was duly and legally reissued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Methods, Systems and Devices for Packet Watermarking and Efficient Provisioning of Bandwidth."

234. Upon information and belief, Charter has and continues to directly infringe one or more claims of the '307 Patent by using, and/or providing and causing to be used products and/or services, specifically one or more Charter servers used to transmit a stream of data, including, for example, when Spectrum television or Internet access services are provided (for the purposes of this section the "Accused Instrumentalities").

235. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least claim 19 of the '307 patent. The Accused Instrumentalities include a method of authenticating a packet flow. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, and as noted above, Charter performs a method of authenticating a packet flow, including when Spectrum TV or data (e.g. Internet access) services are provided.

236. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method of authenticating a packet flow, receiving digital content, organizing the digital content into a packet flow comprising at least two packets. Said method is found within the Accused

Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, said method is illustrated by internal Charter documents regarding Charter's network architecture label subscriber devices as IP hosts. This demonstrates communication between a network element (e.g., server or CMTS) and the subscriber devices is in the form of packets. Accordingly, when a subscriber watches a live TV channel or a PPV item, a Charter network element receives a stream of data corresponding to the live TV channel or PPV item and organizes the stream of data into packets for transmission. *See* Ex. 17 at 3; Ex. 22 at 13.

237. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method of authenticating a packet flow, generating at least a portion of a packet watermark associated with at least one of the packets, the packet watermark being associated with authentication data, combining at least one portion of a packet watermark, and at least one packet, for transmission across a network. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example and as noted above, communication with the subscriber's CM is performed in accordance with the DOCSIS 3.1 standard. The subscriber's DOCSIS 3.1-compatible cable modem is model Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR. The DOCSIS 3.1 defines a BPI+ architecture that applies to various communication between a CM and upstream network nodes, such as a CMTS. A DOCSIS 3.1 CM must support a SA and fifteen additional SAs that can be used as dynamic SAs or static SAs. A CMTS must support a primary SA for each CM and at least one dynamic SA per CMTS. A SA's shared information includes the cryptographic suite in use, traffic encryption keys, and lifetime (i.e., expiration period) of associated keying information. Each SA is identified with a 14-bit SAID. *See* Ex. 18 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-34.

238. Furthermore, upon information and belief, as previously noted the above detailed CM encrypts upstream traffic using its primary SA. Downstream traffic can be encrypted using

a SA that varies depending on whether a packet is intended for a single or multiple CMs (e.g., unicast vs. multicast). Upstream and downstream packets either include a SAID or a QoS SID that can be used to deduce the relevant SAID. Once the SAID is identified, the receiving device knows how to decrypt the payload of the packet, because the SAID can be used to identify the relevant cryptographic keying information. The generation of the SAID or QoS SID is generation of a packet watermark that is associated with authentication data, as unauthorized devices would not be in possession of the necessary keying information to decrypt packet payloads. Each packet of the stream/flow includes the SAID or SID (i.e., the packet watermark is combined with each packet to form watermarked packets), and DOCSIS 3.1 defines several packet formats to choose from. These packet formats include a variable-length PDU MAC frame format, a fragmentation MAC frame format, and a registration request (REG-REQ-MP) MAC management message format. *See* Ex. 18 at 1; Ex. 22 at 22-24, 28-34.

239. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities include a method of authenticating a packet flow, receiving the combined at least one portion of a packet watermark, and at least one packet that has been transmitted across the network; analyzing the combined at least one portion of a packet watermark, and at least one packet using at least a portion of the packet watermark; and in the event the analysis indicates authentication of at least one packet, permitting the authentication of the packet, permitting the authentication of the packet flow, and in the event that the analysis indicates tampering of the at least one packet, indicating a signal of non-authentication. Said method is found within the Accused Instrumentalities. For example, when the watermarked packets are received at the subscriber's CM (e.g., the DOCSIS 3.1 compatible model Arris Model DCX3520e-M High Definition DVR). The subscriber's CM analyzes the watermarked packets by determining the SAID/SID and checking if the

corresponding keying information is available. If the keying information is available, the watermarked packet's payload is decrypted (i.e. permitting the authentication of the packet flow), as indicated by the subscriber being able to watch the selected live TV channel or PPV item, or access the requested Internet website. If the CM is not authorized, one or more Reject messages are communicated based on operation of state machines that control authorization and keying. *See* Ex. 22 at 42-43, 49.

240. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.), Charter has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claim 19 of the '307 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Charter's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claim 19 of the '307 Patent. Additionally, Charter uses Spectrum television or Internet access services for its own testing and use, as well as inducing its customers to use Spectrum television or Internet access services in a method for securely transmitting a stream of data.

241. In particular, Charter's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, the Charter has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Charter has had actual knowledge of the '307 Patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '307 Patent since at least the time of receiving the Complaint filed on May 4, 2018 in 6:18-CV-195-RWS (E.D. Tex.).

242. On information and belief, Charter's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

243. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Charter's infringing activities.

JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs Blue Spike LLC, Blue Spike Int., and Wistaria demand a trial by jury on all issues triable as such.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs Blue Spike LLC, Blue Spike Int., and Wistaria demand judgment for themselves and against Charter as follows:

- A. An adjudication that Charter has infringed the patents in suit;
- B. An award of damages to be paid by Charter adequate to compensate Plaintiffs Blue Spike LLC, Blue Spike Int., and Wistaria for Charter's past infringement of the patents in suit.
- C. A declaration that this case is exceptional under 35 U.S.C. § 285, and an award of Plaintiffs' reasonable attorneys' fees; and
- D. An award to Plaintiffs Blue Spike LLC, Blue Spike Int., and Wistaria of such further relief at law or in equity as the Court deems just and proper.

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