

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION
INNOVATIONS LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

ECHO INCORPORATED

Defendant.

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Case No:

PATENT CASE

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Geographic Location Innovations LLC (“Plaintiff” or “GLI”) files this Complaint against ECHO Incorporated (“Defendant” or “ECHO”) for infringement of United States Patent No. 7,917,285 (hereinafter “the ’285 Patent”).

PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

1. This is an action for patent infringement under Title 35 of the United States Code. Plaintiff is seeking injunctive relief as well as damages.

2. Jurisdiction is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 (Federal Question) and 1338(a) (Patents) because this is a civil action for patent infringement arising under the United States patent statutes.

3. Plaintiff is a Texas limited liability company with a virtual office located at 1400 Preston Rd, Suite 400, Plano, TX 75093.

4. On information and belief, Defendant is an Illinois corporation with its principal office located at 400 Oakwood Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047-1564.

5. On information and belief, this Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because Defendant has committed, and continues to commit, acts of infringement in this District,

has conducted business in this District, and/or has engaged in continuous and systematic activities in this District. Defendant is also headquartered in this District and incorporated in the state of Illinois.

6. On information and belief, Defendant's instrumentalities that are alleged herein to infringe were and continue to be used, imported, offered for sale, and/or sold in this District.

VENUE

7. On information and belief, venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b) because Defendant is headquartered in this District and incorporated in the state of Illinois. Alternatively, acts of infringement are occurring in this District and Defendant has a regular and established place of business in this District.

COUNT I **(INFRINGEMENT OF THE '285 PATENT**

8. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs 1 through 7 herein by reference.

9. This cause of action arises under the patent laws of the United States and, in particular, under 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, *et seq.*

10. Plaintiff is the owner by assignment of the '285 Patent with sole rights to enforce the '285 Patent and sue infringers.

11. A copy of the '285 Patent, titled "Device, System and Method for Remotely Entering, Storing and Sharing Addresses for a Positional Information Device," is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

12. The '285 Patent is valid, enforceable, and was duly issued in full compliance with Title 35 of the United States Code.

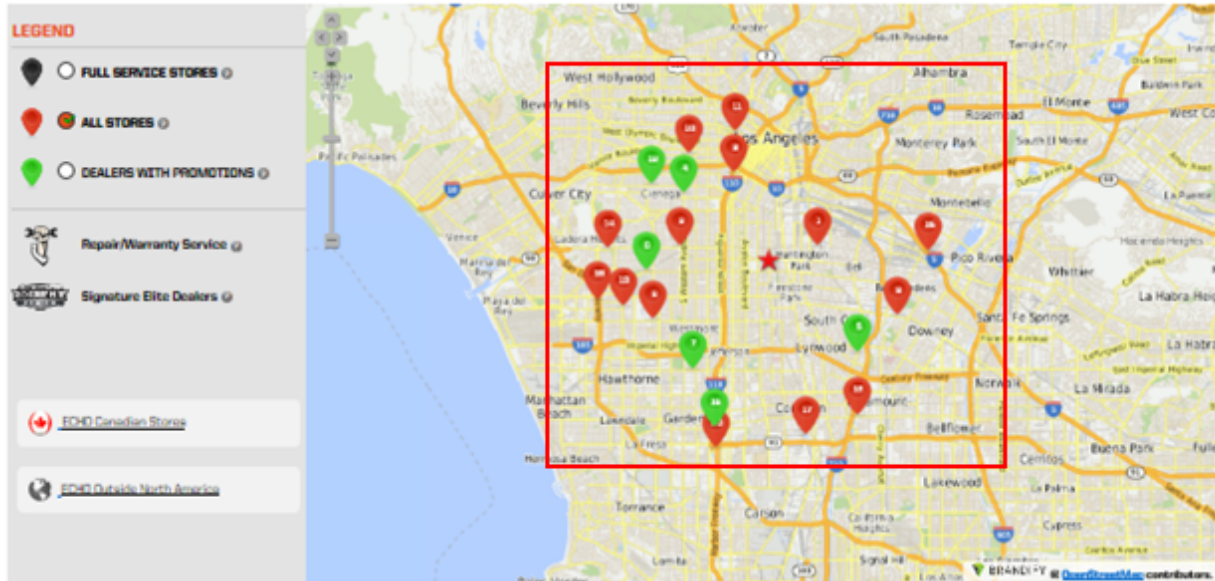
13. Upon information and belief, Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims, including at least Claim 13, of the '285 Patent by making, using (at least by having its employees, or someone under Defendant's control, test the System), importing, selling,

and/or offering for sale a mobile website with associated hardware and software embodied, for example, in its store locator service (the “System”) covered by at least Claim 13 of the ’285 Patent. The System is used, for example, in connection with Defendant’s website at <https://www.echo-usa.com>. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the ’285 patent either directly or through acts of contributory infringement or inducement in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.

14. The System includes the mobile website and associated hardware. These tools provide for remote entry of location information, such as branch locations into a positional information device such as, for example, a table or smart phone. The website automatically loads nearby branch locations onto the positional information device based on the user’s location.

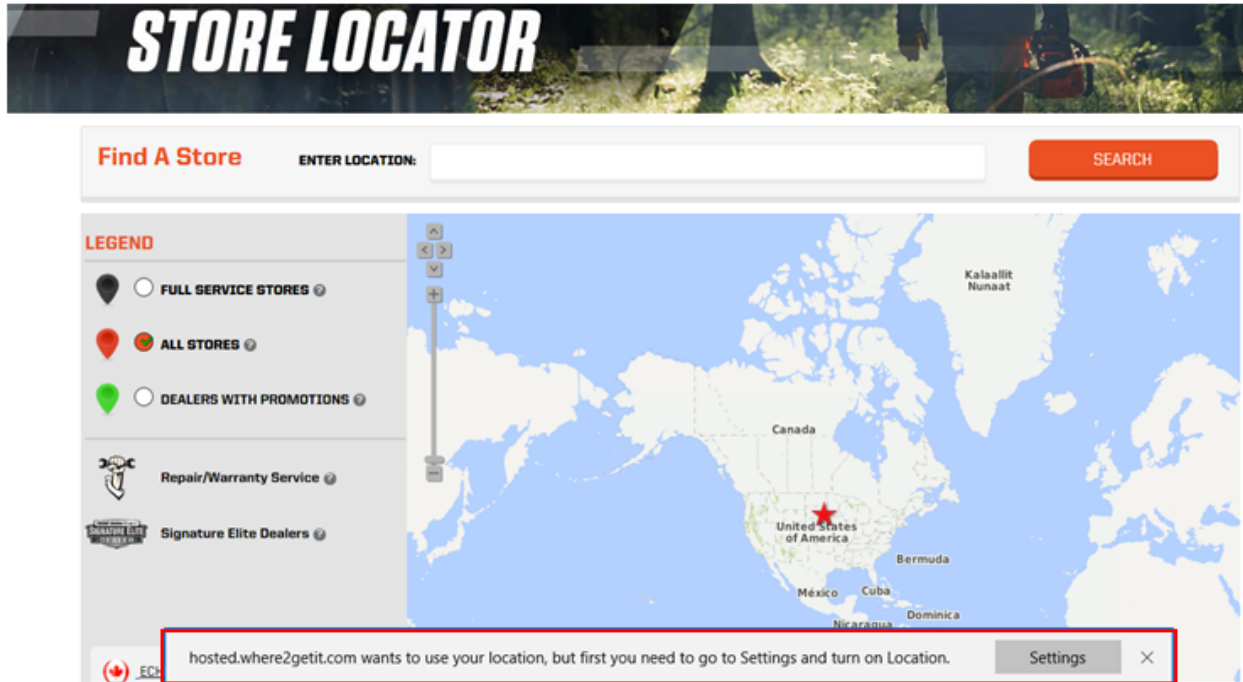
15. On information and belief, the System includes one or more servers that receive a request for an address of at least one location such as, for example, the location of a branch nearby the user, which is not already stored in the positional information device.

16. On information and belief, the server(s) determine the address(es) of the branch(es) and transmits the determined address(es) to the positional information device (e.g., tablet or smartphone). For example, the server(s) transmits to the positional information device a visual indication of the store(s) on a map. The following screenshots show this functionality:



20 STORES NEARBY						PRINT RESULTS
MAP	STORE ADDRESS	TYPE	SERVICE	PROMOTIONS	CONNECT	
 SHOW ON MAP 2.76 MILES AWAY	THE HOME DEPOT 8040 SLAUSON AVENUE HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90665 Phone: (323) 587-5520 Get Directions				Send to Email Send to Mobile	
 SHOW ON MAP 3.70 MILES AWAY	THE HOME DEPOT 1890 W SLAUSON AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90047 Phone: (323) 292-1327 Get Directions				Send to Email Send to Mobile	
 SHOW ON MAP 4.25 MILES AWAY	THE HOME DEPOT POSEN FIGUEROA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90065 Phone: (323) 292-2925 Get Directions				Send to Email Send to Mobile	
 SHOW ON MAP 4.87 MILES AWAY	WESTERN AVENUE LAWNMOWER SHOP 8718 S. WESTERN AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CA 90038 Phone: (323) 735-7811 Store Info Get Directions				Send to Email Send to Mobile	

17. The positional information device includes a locational information module (e.g., GPS hardware), which Defendant uses, and which determines the location of the positional information device. The System automatically lodes nearby store locations based on the user's location. Certain aspects of this element are illustrated in the screen shot(s) below and/or in those provided in connection with other allegations herein.

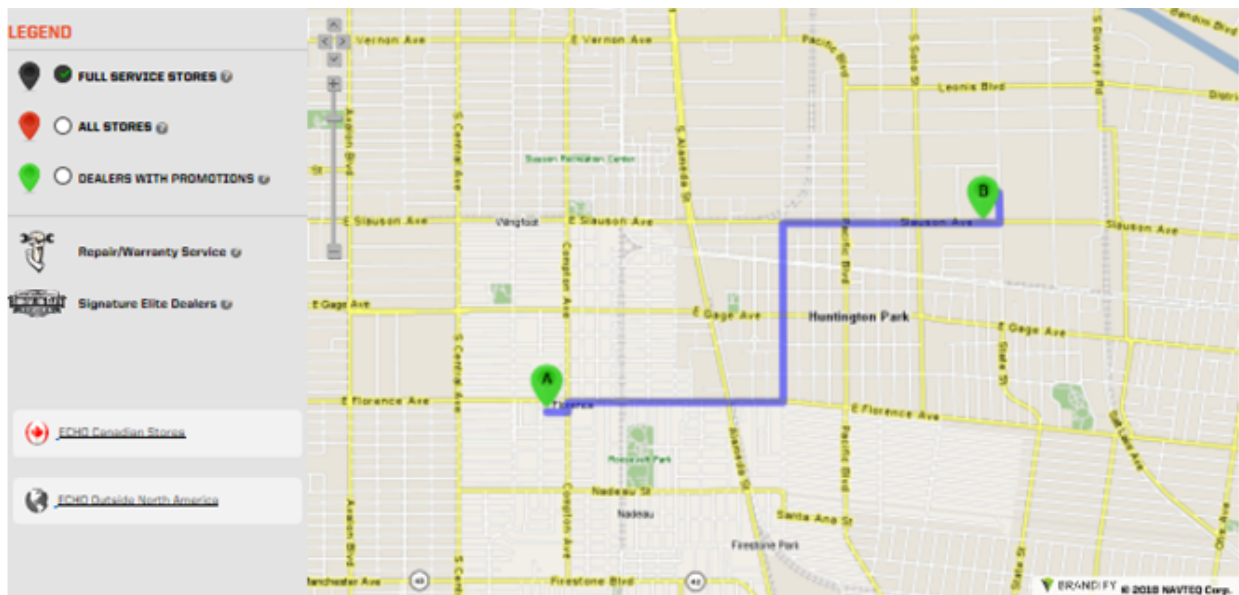


18. The System includes a communications module (e.g., cellular or WiFi components in the positional information device), which Defendant uses, and which receives the determined address(es) from the server(s). Certain aspects of this element are illustrated in the screen shot(s) below and/or in those provided in connection with other allegations herein.

The A-GPS device will use a data connection (e.g. 3G on a cellphone) to contact an assistance server. The server can supply almanac and ephemeris data so the GPS doesn't have to wait to receive them from the satellites. The server can also send an approximate location derived from cellphone towers, allowing an immediate fix. In some cases the A-GPS device may send incomplete GPS data to the server for processing into a fix.

<https://www.maptoaster.com/maptoaster-topo-nz/articles/how-gps-works/how-gps-works.html>

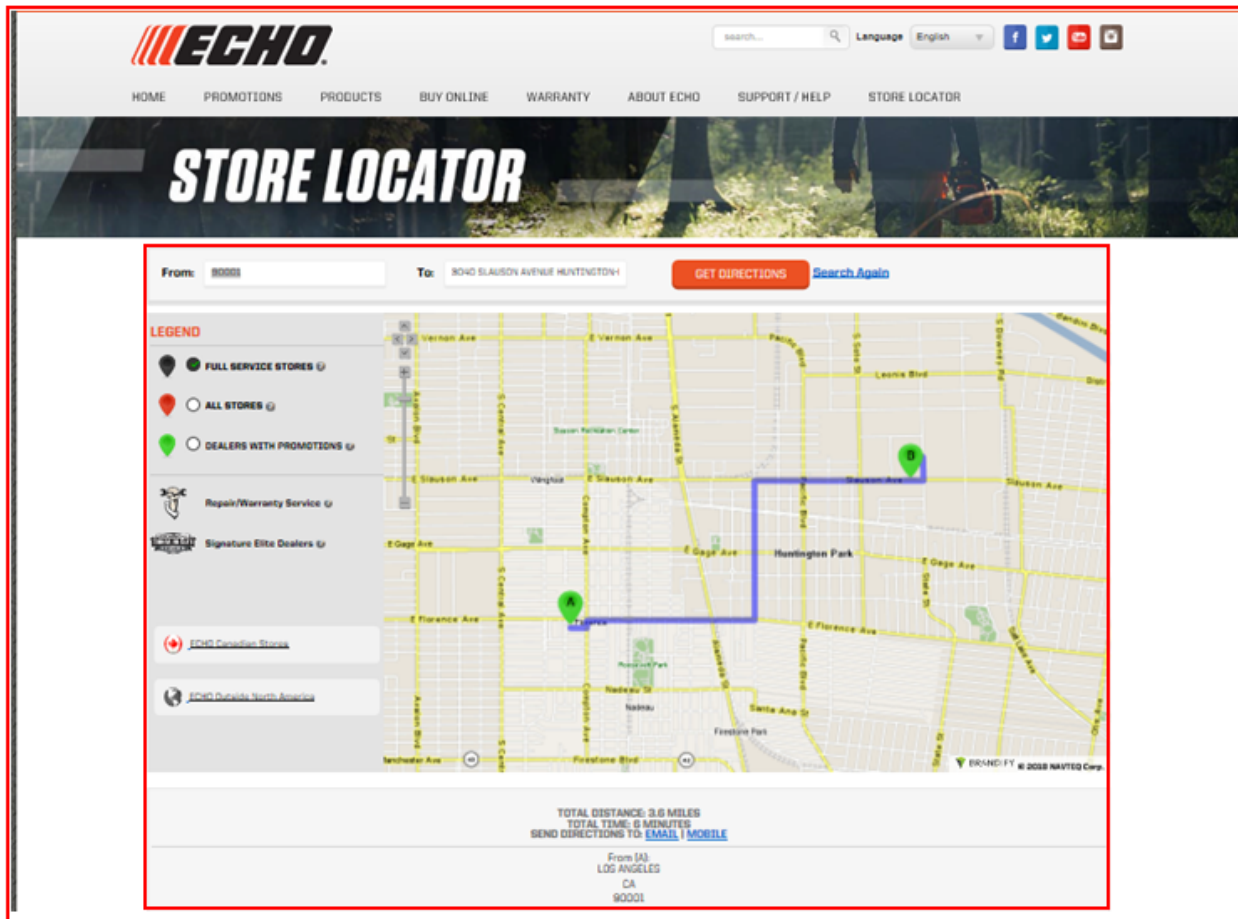
19. The System includes a processing module (e.g., mapping software and the mobile website), which Defendant uses, and which receives the determined address(es) from the communication module. The processing module determines route guidance based on the location of the positional information device and the determined address(es). Certain aspects of this element are illustrated in the screen shot(s) below and/or in those provided in connection with other allegations herein.



<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 3.6 MILES TOTAL TIME: 6 MINUTES SEND DIRECTIONS TO: EMAIL MOBILE</p>
<p>From (A): LOS ANGELES CA 90001</p>
<p>1. Start out on E 73rd St (Going East) 0.10 miles</p>
<p>2. Turn LEFT onto Compton Ave (Going North) 0.09 miles</p>
<p>3. Turn RIGHT onto E Florence Ave (Going East) 1.00 miles</p>
<p>4. Turn LEFT onto Santa Fe Ave (Going North) 1.00 miles</p>
<p>5. Turn RIGHT onto Slauson Ave (Going East) 1.00 miles</p>
<p>6. Turn LEFT onto S Boyle Ave (Going North) 0.17 miles</p>
<p>7. Make a U-TURN onto S Boyle Ave (Going South) 0.17 miles</p>
<p>8. Turn RIGHT onto Slauson Ave (Going West) 0.09 miles</p>
<p>To (B): 3040 SLAUSON AVENUE huntingtonpark CA 90255</p>

20. The System includes a display module (e.g., screen on the positional information

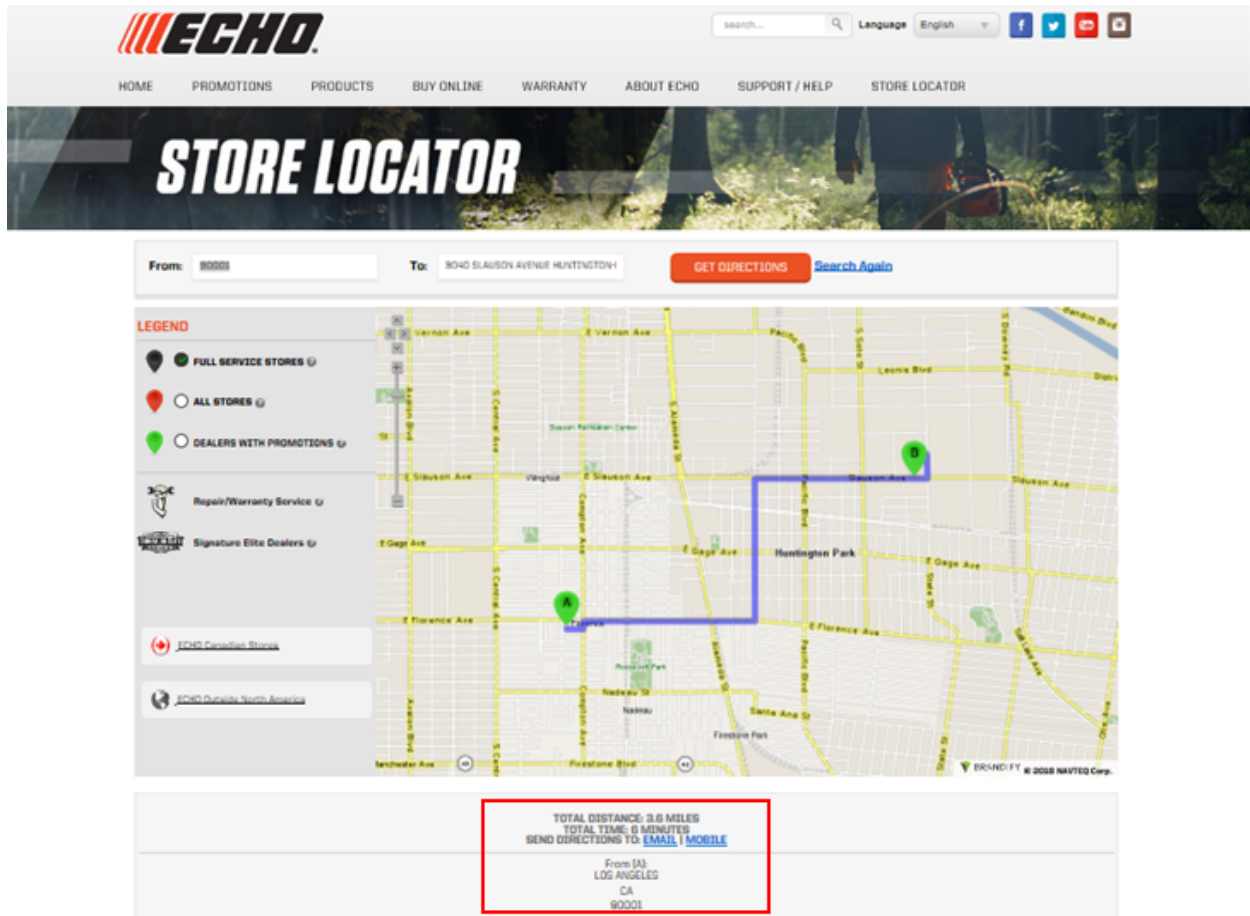
device) for displaying the route guidance. Certain aspects of this element are illustrated in the screen shot(s) below and/or in those provided in connection with other allegations herein.



21. The System includes a communications network (e.g., cellular network) for coupling the positional information device to the server(s).

22. On information and belief, the server(s) receives a time and date (e.g., the time and date of the request for a location) associated with the requested location(s) and transmits the associated time and date with the determined address(es) to the positional information device and the positional information device displays the determined address at the associated time and date. For example, the time and date of the request must be sent to the server(s) so that the server(s) can determine traffic conditions associated with varying routes to the requested location and display location and route conditions corresponding to the time and date of the request.

Certain aspects of this element are illustrated in the screen shot(s) below and/or in those provided in connection with other allegations herein.



23. Defendant's actions complained of herein will continue unless Defendant is enjoined by this court.

24. Defendant's actions complained of herein are causing irreparable harm and monetary damage to Plaintiff and will continue to do so unless and until Defendant is enjoined and restrained by this Court.

25. Plaintiff is in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 287.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff asks the Court to:

(a) Enter judgment for Plaintiff on this Complaint on all causes of action asserted

herein;

(b) Enter an Order enjoining Defendant, its agents, officers, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with Defendant who receive notice of the order from further infringement of United States Patent No. 7,917,285 (or, in the alternative, awarding Plaintiff a running royalty from the time of judgment going forward);

(c) Award Plaintiff damages resulting from Defendant's infringement in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 284;

(d) Award Plaintiff pre-judgment and post-judgment interest and costs; and

(e) Award Plaintiff such further relief to which the Court finds Plaintiff entitled under law or equity.

Dated: February 8, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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