

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

TRAXCELL TECHNOLOGIES, LLC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

HELBIZ, INC.,

Defendant

Civil Action No. 1:22-cv-08128-CM

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Plaintiff Traxcell Technologies, LLC (“Traxcell” or “Plaintiff”), files this Amended Complaint pursuant to Rule 15(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or within 21 days of the filing of a Rule 12 Motion, for Patent Infringement and demand for jury trial seeking relief from patent infringement by Helbiz Inc. (“Helbiz” or “Defendant”), alleging infringement of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 10,820,147 (the “patent-in-suit”), and would respectfully show the Court as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff is a Texas Limited Liability Company, with its principal place of business located at Traxcell Technologies LLC, 617 North 4th Street, Suite "S," Waco, Texas 76701.

2. On information and belief, Defendant is a Delaware corporation with a principal address of 32 Old Slip, New York City, New York, 10005, United States. Defendant is registered to do business in New York and may be served via its registered agent Cogency Global Inc., located at 122 East 42nd Street, 18th Floor, New York, New York, United States, 10168.

3. On information and belief, Defendant directly develops, designs, manufactures, distributes, markets, offers to sell and/or sells infringing products and services in the United States, including in the Southern District of New York, and otherwise directs infringing activities to this District in connection with its products and services.

JURISDICTION

4. This civil action arises under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, including without limitation 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, 283, 284, and 285 based on Defendant's unauthorized commercial manufacture, use, importation, offer for sale, and sale of the Accused Products in the United States. This is a patent infringement lawsuit over which this Court has subject matter jurisdiction under, *inter alia*, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1332, and 1338(a).

5. This United States District Court for the Southern District of New York has general and specific personal jurisdiction over Defendant because, directly or through intermediaries, Defendant has committed acts within the District giving rise to this action and are present in and transact and conduct business in and with residents of this District and the State of New York.

6. Plaintiff's causes of action arise, at least in part, from Defendant's contacts with and activities in this District and the State of New York.

7. Defendant has committed acts of infringing the patent-in-suit within this District and the State of New York by making, using, selling, offering for sale, and/or importing in or into this District and elsewhere in the State of New York, products claimed by the patent-in-suit, including without limitation products made by practicing the claimed methods of the patent-in-suit. Defendant, directly and through intermediaries, makes, uses, sells, offers for sale, imports, ships, distributes, advertises, promotes, and/or otherwise commercializes such infringing products into this District and the State of New York. Defendant regularly conducts and solicits business in,

engages in other persistent courses of conduct in, and/or derives substantial revenue from goods and services provided to residents of this District and the State of New York.

8. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant pursuant to NEW YORK'S CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES ("CPLR") § 301, 302, *et seq.* Personal jurisdiction exists over Defendant because Defendant has minimum contacts with this forum as a result of business regularly conducted within the State of New York and within this district, and, on information and belief, specifically as a result of, at least, committing the tort of patent infringement within New York and this District. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant, in part, because Defendant does continuous and systematic business in this District, including by providing infringing products and services to the residents of the Southern District of New York that Defendant knew would be used within this District, and by soliciting business from the residents of the Southern District of New York. For example, Defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction in this Court because, *inter alia*, Defendant directly and through agents regularly does, solicits, and transacts business in the Southern District of New York. Also, Defendant has hired and is hiring within this District for positions that, on information and belief, relate to infringement of the patent-in-suit. Accordingly, this Court's jurisdiction over the Defendant comports with the constitutional standards of fair play and substantial justice and arises directly from the Defendant's purposeful minimum contacts with the State of New York.

9. This Court also has personal jurisdiction over Defendant, because in addition to Defendant's own online website and advertising with this District, Defendant has also made its products available within this judicial district and advertised to residents within the District to hire employees to be located in this District.

10. The amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000 exclusive of interests and costs.

11. Venue is proper in this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b) based on information set forth herein, which is hereby repeated and incorporated by reference. Further, upon information and belief, Defendant has committed acts of infringement, and/or advertise, market, sell, and/or offer to sell products, including infringing products, in this District.

THE PATENT-IN-SUIT

12. On October 27, 2020, United States Patent No. 10,820,147 (“the ’147 patent”), entitled “Mobile wireless device providing off-line and on-line geographic navigation information” was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”). On October 3, 2016, the ’147 patent was duly and lawfully conveyed to Traxcell Technologies, LLC, including all rights, title, and interest in and to the invention of the ’147 patent and its underlying patent applications, including the right to sue and recover for patent infringements, by written assignments recorded on February 12, 2020 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The ’147 patent claims patent-eligible subject matter and is valid and enforceable. Traxcell is the exclusive owner by assignment of all rights, title, and interest in the ’147 patent, including the right to bring this suit for damages, and including the right to sue and recover all past, present, and future damages for infringement of the ’147 patent. Defendant is not licensed to the ’147 patent, either expressly or implicitly, nor do they enjoy or benefit from any rights in or to the ’147 patent whatsoever. A true and correct copy of the ’147 patent is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

13. The ’147 patent is referred to herein as the “patent-in-suit.”

14. Plaintiff Traxcell is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the patent-in-suit. The patent-in-suit is presumed valid under 35 U.S.C. § 282.

15. Plaintiff Traxcell (and its licensees) has complied with the Patent Marking Statute requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 287, 287(a).

ACCUSED INSTRUMENTALITIES

16. The term “Accused Instrumentalities” or “Accused Products” refers to, by way of example and without limitation, Helbiz’s technology platform for connecting consumers with electric vehicles including bikes and scooters. (*see, e.g.*, <https://helbiz.com/>).

COUNT I **PATENT INFRINGEMENT OF THE ’147 PATENT**

17. Plaintiff restates and realleges the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

18. Defendant has, under 35 U.S.C. §271(a), directly infringed, and continues to directly infringe, literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims, including without limitation at least claim 1 of the ’147 patent, by making, using, testing, selling, offering for sale and/or importing into the United States Defendant’s Accused Products including but not limited to U.S. wireless networks, wireless-network components, and related services that use identified locations of wireless devices to provide direction.

19. Defendant has knowledge that its activities concerning the Accused Products infringe one or more claims of the ’147 patent. On information and belief, Defendant will continue to encourage, aid, or otherwise cause third parties to import, sell, offer for sale, and use the Accused Products (which are acts of direct infringement of the ’147 patent) and Defendant has and will continue to encourage those acts with the specific intent to infringe one or more claims of the ’147 patent. Further, Defendant provides information and technical support to its customers, including product manuals, brochures, videos, demonstrations, and website materials encouraging its

customers to download and/or purchase and instructing them to use Defendant's Accused Products (which are acts of direct infringement of the '147 patent). Alternatively, Defendant knows and/or will know that there is a high probability that the importation, sale, offer for sale, and use of the Accused Products constitutes direct infringement of the '147 patent but took deliberate actions to avoid learning of these facts.

20. On information and belief, Defendant has made no attempt to design around the claims of the '147 patent.

21. On information and belief, Defendant did not have a reasonable basis for believing that the claims of the '147 patent were invalid.

22. On information and belief, Defendant's Accused Products are available to businesses and individuals throughout the United States and in the State of New York, including in this District.

23. Traxcell has been damaged as the result of Defendant's infringement. Upon information and belief, Defendant will continue to infringe one or more claims of the '147 patent unless and until they are enjoined by this Court.

24. The claim chart attached hereto as **Exhibit B** describes how the elements of an exemplary claim 1 from the '147 patent are infringed by the Accused Products. This provides details regarding only one example of Defendant's infringement, and only as to a single patent claim. Plaintiff reserves its right to amend and fully provide its infringement arguments and evidence thereof until its Preliminary and Final Infringement Contentions are later produced according to the court's scheduling order in this case.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Traxcell respectfully requests the following relief:

- A. A judgment that Defendant has directly infringed either literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents and continue to directly infringe the patent-in-suit;
- B. A judgment and order requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff damages under 35 U.S.C. § 284 including past damages based on, *inter alia*, any necessary compliance with 35 U.S.C. §287, and supplemental damages for any continuing post-verdict infringement through entry of the final judgment with an accounting as needed;
- C. A judgment that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and Plaintiff is therefore entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees;
- D. A judgment and order requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff pre-judgment and post-judgment interest on the damages awarded;
- E. A judgment and order awarding a compulsory ongoing royalty;
- F. A judgment and order awarding Plaintiff costs associated with bringing this action;
- G. A judgment granting a preliminary and permanent injunction that restrains and enjoins Defendant, its officers, directors, divisions, employees, agents, servants, parents, subsidiaries, successors, assigns, and all those in privity, concert or participation with them from directly infringing the patent-in-suit; and
- H. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and equitable.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Pursuant to FED. R. CIV. P. 38, Plaintiff Traxcell hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Respectfully submitted,

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