

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

BEACON NAVIGATION GMBH,

Plaintiff,

v.

**SAAB AUTOMOBILE AB AND SAAB CARS
NORTH AMERICA, INC.,**

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Beacon Navigation GmbH (“Beacon” or “Plaintiff”), for its Complaint against Defendants Saab Automobile AB (“Saab Automobile”) and Saab Cars North America, Inc. (“Saab Cars North America”) states and alleges as follows:

THE PARTIES

1. Plaintiff Beacon is a Swiss company with limited liability with a principal place of business in Switzerland.
2. Upon information and belief, Defendant Saab Automobile is a Swedish corporation with its principal place of business at 461 80 Trollhattan, Sweden.
3. Upon information and belief, Defendant Saab Cars North America is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 4327 Delemere Ct., Royal Oak, MI 48073.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

4. This action arises under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, including 35 U.S.C. § 271. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

5. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), 1391(c), 1391(d) and/or 1400(b) because (1) a substantial part of the events giving rise to Beacon's claims occurred in the District of Delaware, (2) because each of the Defendants is either resident in or otherwise subject to personal jurisdiction in the District of Delaware, or is an alien, or (3) each of the Defendants has committed acts of infringement in and has a regular and established place of business in the District of Delaware.

BACKGROUND

6. Beacon owns all right, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 6,374,180 (the "'180 patent") (the "patent-in-suit").

7. The '180 patent, entitled "Points of Interest for a Navigation System," was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 16, 2002, after full and fair examination. A copy of the '180 patent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

8. Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America manufacture, sell and distribute vehicles with navigation systems, including but not limited to the Saab 9-5.

COUNT I

INFRINGEMENT OF THE '180 PATENT

9. Beacon incorporates each of the preceding paragraphs 1-8 as if fully set forth herein.

10. Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America have been and are infringing literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, directly, contributorily, or by inducement, at least claim 1 of the '180 patent.

11. Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America directly infringe, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), by making, using, selling, offering for sale, and/or importing in or into the

United States, without authority, products that practice the '180 patent, including but not limited to the Saab 9-5.

12. Upon information and belief, Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America had knowledge of the '180 patent based on a letter sent to each of them on September 28, 2011.

13. Upon information and belief, Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America have contributed to direct infringement of the '180 patent by others (e.g., consumers), in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(b), because the GPS navigation systems in their products, including but not limited to the Saab 9-5, are specially adapted for an infringing use of the '180 patent, embody a material part of the inventions claimed in the '180 patent, and are not staple articles of commerce suitable for substantial non-infringing use.

14. Upon information and belief, Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America actively induce others (e.g., consumers) to directly infringe the '180 patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(c), by providing products with GPS navigation systems, including but not limited to the Saab 9-5, along with instructions, user manuals, or technical assistance actively directing, encouraging, or assisting infringement of the '180 patent, and/or by providing a system where one of the core and common features leads to third party infringement of the '180 patent.

15. Upon information and belief, Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America had knowledge of the '180 patent based on a letter sent to each of them on September 28, 2011 but have engaged in infringing conduct nonetheless. Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America's infringement is willful.

16. Beacon has no adequate remedy at law against these acts of patent infringement. Unless Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America are permanently enjoined from further infringement of the '180 patent, Beacon will suffer irreparable harm.

17. As a direct and proximate result of the acts of patent infringement by Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America, Beacon has been damaged in an amount not presently known.

18. Beacon has incurred and will incur attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses in the prosecution of this action. The circumstances of this dispute create an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285, and Beacon is entitled to recover its reasonable and necessary fees and expenses.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Beacon requests that judgment be entered in its favor and against Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America, and that the Court award the following relief to Beacon:

- (a) damages in an amount adequate to compensate Beacon for infringement of the patents-in-suit, and in no event less than a reasonable royalty;
- (b) increased damages in an amount three times the damages found by the jury or assessed by the Court for the willful infringement of the patents-in-suit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- (c) expenses, costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- (d) a preliminary and, thereafter, a permanent injunction against Saab Automobile and Saab Cars North America, their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or participation with any of them who receive actual notice thereof;
- (e) prejudgment and post-judgment interest on all damages; and
- (f) such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMAND

In accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 38 and 39, Beacon asserts its rights under the Seventh Amendment to the United States Constitution and demands a trial by jury on all issues triable by a jury.

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Respectfully submitted,

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