

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEAUFORT DIVISION**

PARK INDUSTRIES,
INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

EUROSTONE MACHINE USA, LLC

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 9:12-cv-2929-SB

COMPLAINT

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc. alleges as follows:

THE PARTIES

1. Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc. (“Park Industries”), is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Minnesota and having a principal place of business at 6600 Saukview Drive, St. Cloud, Minnesota 56303.

2. On information and belief, Defendant, EuroStone Machine USA, LLC (“EuroStone”), is a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of South Carolina and having a principal place of business at 5 Pond Drive, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29926.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3. This is a civil action for patent infringement, arising under the Acts of Congress relating to patents, 35 U.S.C. §§ 271; 282-285. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

4. Jurisdiction is proper because, on information and belief, Defendant transacts business in this judicial district including the sales and offering for sale of its products, has committed acts of infringement in this judicial district and Defendant has sufficient contacts with this judicial district to subject itself to the jurisdiction of this Court.

5. Venue is proper in this district under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and (c) and 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b).

BACKGROUND

6. Park Industries is engaged in the business of manufacturing and selling stone-fabrication machines, including corner saw machines, to customers around the world.

7. On August 10, 2010, United States Patent No. 7,771,249 (“the ’249 patent”), entitled “Corner Saw” was duly and legally issued to Park Industries as an assignee of the inventors, Michael P. Schlough, Phillip A. Snartland, Aaron J. Zulkosky. A copy of the ’249 patent is attached as Exhibit A.

8. Park Industries is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the ’249 patent, and has been and continues to be the owner.

9. On January 24 2012, United States Patent No. 8,100,740 (“the ’740 patent”), entitled “Corner Saw” was duly and legally issued to Park Industries as an assignee of the inventors, Michael P. Schlough, Phillip A. Snartland, Aaron J. Zulkosky. A copy of the ’740 patent is attached as Exhibit B.

10. Park Industries is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the ’740 patent, and has been and continues to be the owner.

11. These patents are directed at corner saw machines used for cutting corner pieces of stone and other materials.

12. EuroStone is engaged in the business of importing, using, selling and/or offering for sale corner saw machines. On information and belief, EuroStone purposefully imports corner saw machines from abroad and sells them throughout the United States. A product catalog for a sample accused corner saw machine, identified as Lovato Technology's "IDEA 90," is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

13. On information and belief, the corner saw machines are made by unlawfully performing the claimed methods as disclosed in the '249 and '740 patents.

14. On information and belief, EuroStone purchases and imports the corner saw machines manufactured by practicing the claimed methods in the '249 and '740 patents outside the United States and without permission from Park Industries.

15. On information and belief, the foreign manufacturer's activities would directly infringe, contribute to the infringement of, and/or induce infringement of the '249 and '740 patents through the performance of the claimed methods in the United States.

COUNT I - INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,771,249

16. Park Industries restates the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 15 above and incorporate them herein by reference.

17. Upon information and belief, EuroStone is directly infringing, actively inducing others to infringe, and/or contributing to the infringement of the '249 patent by making, using, importing into the United States, offering to sell, and/or selling corner saw machines in this district and elsewhere in the United States in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.

18. On information and belief, EuroStone has imported, sold and/or used, without Park Industries' consent, corner saw machines that are made by practicing the claimed invention

of the '249 patent outside the United States. The importation of an article made by an infringing method constitutes an act of infringement under Section 271(g).

19. On information and belief, a foreign entity manufactures the corner saw machines abroad by using the claimed methods of the '249 patent outside the United States.

20. On information and belief, EuroStone purchases, uses and/or sells corner saw machines manufactured outside the United States using the claimed methods of the '249 patent.

21. On information and belief, the products made using the patented methods abroad are neither materially changed by subsequent methods nor do they constitute a trivial and nonessential component of another product.

22. On information and belief, EuroStone will continue to directly infringe, actively induce others to infringe, and/or contribute to the infringement of the '249 patent unless and until EuroStone is enjoined by this Court.

23. EuroStone's acts of infringement have caused and continue to cause damage to Park Industries, and Park Industries is entitled to recover from EuroStone the damages sustained by Park Industries in an amount to be determined at trial.

24. Park Industries has suffered irreparable harm by EuroStone's infringement of the '249 patent and will continue to suffer irreparable harm in the future unless and until EuroStone is enjoined from infringing the '249 patent.

25. Park Industries has satisfied the notice provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 287.

COUNT II - INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,100,740

26. Park Industries restates the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1-25 and incorporate them herein by reference.

27. Upon information and belief, EuroStone is directly infringing, actively inducing others to infringe, and/or contributing to the infringement of the '740 patent by making, using, importing into the United States, offering to sell, and/or selling corner saw machines in this district and elsewhere in the United States in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.

28. On information and belief, EuroStone has imported, sold and/or used, without Park Industries' consent, corner saw machines that are made by practicing the claimed invention of the '740 patent outside the United States. The importation of an article made by an infringing method constitutes an act of infringement under Section 271(g).

29. On information and belief, a foreign entity manufactures the corner saw machines abroad by using the claimed method of the '740 patent outside the United States.

30. On information and belief, EuroStone purchases, uses and/or sells corner saw machines manufactured outside the United States using the claimed method of the '740 patent.

31. On information and belief, the products made using the patented method abroad are neither materially changed by a subsequent method(s) nor do they constitute a trivial and nonessential component of another product.

32. On information and belief, EuroStone will continue to directly infringe, actively induce others to infringe, and/or contribute to the infringement of the '740 patent unless and until EuroStone is enjoined by this Court.

33. EuroStone's acts of infringement have caused and continue to cause damage to Park Industries, and Park Industries is entitled to recover from EuroStone the damages sustained by Park Industries in an amount to be determined at trial.

34. Park Industries has suffered irreparable harm by EuroStone's infringement of the '740 patent and will continue to suffer irreparable harm in the future unless and until EuroStone is enjoined from infringing the '740 patent.

35. Park Industries has satisfied the notice provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 287.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment that:

A. United States Patent Nos. 7,771,249 and 8,100,740 were duly and legally issued, are valid and enforceable;

B. The Defendant, EuroStone has infringed one or more claims of United States Patent Nos. 7,771,249 and 8,100,740;

C. The Defendant, EuroStone, its officers, agents, servants and employees, and those persons in active concert or participating with it be enjoined from further infringing United States Patent Nos. 7,771,249 and 8,100,740;

D. An accounting be had and the Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc., be awarded damages arising out of the Defendant, EuroStone's infringement of United States Patent Nos. 7,771,249 and 8,100,740 with interest;

E. The Defendant, EuroStone, be permanently enjoined from continued use, importation, offer for sale, or sale of the products that infringe the patent-in-suit;

F. This case be adjudged and decreed exceptional pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285 and that Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc., be awarded its costs and attorney's fees in pursuing this action; and

G. Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc., be awarded such other and further relief as this Court may deem necessary and proper.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff, Park Industries, Inc., hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable.

Respectfully submitted,

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