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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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Plaintiff,

VS.

ASTON MARTIN LAGONDA OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. SACV12-02059 DOC(RNBx)

## FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR

#### JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Complaint Filed: November 28, 2012 Trial Date:

#### FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff Eclipse IP LLC ("Eclipse"), by counsel, complains of defendant Aston Martin Lagonda of North America, Inc. ("Aston Martin"), as follows:

#### **NATURE OF LAWSUIT**

1. This is a suit for patent infringement arising under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code § 1 et seq. This Court has exclusive jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Complaint under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

#### PARTIES AND PATENTS

Eclipse is a company organized and existing under the laws of Florida and 2. having a principal place of business address at 115 NW 17th Street, Delray Beach, Florida 33444.

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- 3. Eclipse owns all right, title, and interest in and has standing to sue for infringement of United States Patent No. 7,482,952 ("the '952 patent"), entitled "Response Systems and Methods for Notification Systems for Modifying Future Notifications" (Exhibit A); and United States Patent No. 7,479,900 ("the '900 patent"), entitled "Notification Systems and Methods that Consider Traffic Flow Predicament Data" (Exhibit B) (collectively, "the Eclipse Patents").
- 4. On information and belief, Aston Martin is a corporation existing under the laws of Connecticut with its principle place of business at 9920 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, California 92618.
- 5. On information and belief, Aston Martin does regular business in this judicial district and has committed acts of infringement in this judicial district.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 6. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Aston Martin because it does regular business in this District; is operating and/or supporting products or services that fall within one or more claims of Eclipse's patents in this District; and has committed the tort of patent infringement in this District.
- 7. Venue is proper in this judicial district under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(d) and 1400(b).

#### **DEFENDANT'S ACTS OF PATENT INFRINGEMENT**

- 8. Aston Martin imports, markets, distributes, and/or sells vehicles with navigation systems that infringe one or more claims of the '952 patent through, among other activities, the use of the navigation systems to: determine changes in schedule relating to an intended destination; notify the driver of the change in schedule; and allow the driver to make a confirmation, change, or cancellation with respect to the notification.
- 9. Aston Martin imports, markets, distributes, and/or sells vehicles with navigation systems that infringe one or more claims of the '900 patent through, among other activities, the use of the navigation systems: schedule notifications relating to

NEWPORT TRIAL arrival or departure of the vehicle; monitor traffic flow predicament data relating to a vehicle's intended route; and determine whether or not to reschedule notifications based upon such data.

- 10. Aston Martin's vehicle navigation systems cannot be used without these core functionalities and are not intended to be. Accordingly, they are not capable of substantial noninfringing uses.
- 11. On October 11, 2012, Aston Martin received a letter from Eclipse in which Eclipse informed Aston Martin of the existence of the '900 and '952 patents, alleged that Aston Martin's navigation systems infringe these patents, and offered to engage in licensing negotiations.
- 12. Prompted by Eclipse's letter, counsel for Aston Martin contacted counsel for Eclipse. The parties engaged in preliminary discussion but never made substantive progress toward a suitable licensing arrangement.
- 13. Instead, with knowledge of the '900 and '952 patents and its infringement and in disregard of Eclipse's patent rights, Aston Martin chose to continue to import, advertise, market, distribute, and/or sell the infringing products.
- 14. Accordingly, Aston Martin has acted willfully, with knowledge that the infringing components had been and would be especially made or adapted for use in an infringing manner, and with the intent to induce others to infringe Eclipse's patents.
- 15. Aston Martin has knowingly infringed one or more claims of the '952 patent through, among other activities, the use of navigation systems in its vehicles to: determine changes in schedule relating to an intended destination; notify the driver of the change in schedule; and allow the driver to make a confirmation, change, or cancellation with respect to the notification.
- 16. Aston Martin has actively induced and/or contributed to the infringement by others of one or more claims of the '952 patent through, among other activities, continuing to manufacture, distribute, and sell vehicles equipped with the infringing

NEWPORT TRIAL GROUP navigation systems to its customers after having received notice of its infringement of the '952 patent.

- 17. Aston Martin has knowingly infringed one or more claims of the '900 patent through, among other activities, the use of navigation systems in its vehicles to: schedule notifications relating to arrival or departure of the vehicle; monitor traffic flow predicament data relating to a vehicle's intended route; and determine whether or not to reschedule notifications based upon such data.
- 18. Aston Martin has actively induced and/or contributed to the infringement by others of one or more claims of the '900 patent through, among other activities, continuing to manufacture, distribute, and sell vehicles equipped with the infringing navigation systems to its customers after having received notice of its infringement of the '900 patent.
- 19. Through direct, induced, and contributory infringement Aston Martin has injured Eclipse, and Eclipse is entitled to recover damages adequate to compensate it for such infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty.

# CLAIMS FOR RELIEF COUNT I

# (Patent Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,482,952

Under 35 U.S.C. § 271, et seq.)

- 20. Eclipse incorporates by reference and realleges the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 12 above and incorporates them by reference.
- 21. On January 27, 2009, United States Patent No. 7,482,952, entitled "Response Systems and Methods for Notification Systems for Modifying Future Notifications" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Eclipse IP is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the '952 patent. A true and correct copy of the '952 patent is attached as Exhibit A to this complaint.

22. Eclipse is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Aston Martin: (1) has infringed and continues to infringe claims of the '952 patent, literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, and/or (2) has contributed and continues to contribute to the literal infringement and/or infringement under the doctrine of equivalents of claims of the '952 patent, and/or has actively induced and continues to actively induce others to infringe claims of the '952 patent, literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, in this district and elsewhere in the United States.

#### **COUNT II**

# (Patent Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,479,900

Under 35 U.S.C. § 271, et seq.)

- 23. Eclipse incorporates by reference and realleges the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 15 above and incorporates them by reference.
- 24. On January 20, 2009, United States Patent No. 7,479,900, entitled "Notification Systems and Methods that Consider Traffic Flow Predicament Data" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Eclipse IP is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the '900 patent. A true and correct copy of the '900 patent is attached as Exhibit B to this complaint.
- 25. Eclipse is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that Aston Martin: (1) has infringed and continues to infringe claims of the '900 patent, literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, and/or (2) has contributed and continues to contribute to the literal infringement and/or infringement under the doctrine of equivalents of claims of the '900 patent, and/or has actively induced and continues to actively induce others to infringe claims of the '900 patent, literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, in this district and elsewhere in the United States.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Eclipse asks this Court to enter judgment against the defendant and against each of the defendant's respective subsidiaries, affiliates, agents,

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servants, employees and all persons in active concert or participation with it, granting the following relief:

- (a) An award of damages adequate to compensate Eclipse for the infringement that has occurred, together with prejudgment interest from the date infringement of the Eclipse Patents began;
- An award to Eclipse of all remedies available under 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285, including enhanced damages up to and including trebling of Eclipse's damages for Aston Martin's willful infringement, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; and,
- (c) Such other and further relief as this Court or a jury may deem proper and just.

#### JURY DEMAND

Eclipse demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38.

Respectfully submitted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

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By: /s/Tyler J Woods

Tyler J. Woods Attorney for Plaintiff ECLIPSE IP LLC

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

(United States District Court)

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I am employed in the County of Orange, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 895 Dove Street, Suite 425, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

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On October 4, 2012, I have served the foregoing document described as **FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT** on the following person(s) in the manner(s) indicated below:

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