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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH, CENTRAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, <i>Plaintiff</i> , vs.	OBJECTION TO UNITED STATES' MOTION TO COMPEL TODD ANDERSON TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS
RAPOWER-3, LLC, et al,	
Defendants.	Case No. 2:15-CV-0828 DN
	Judge: Honorable David Nuffer Magistrate Judge Brooke Wells

Defendants RaPower-3, LLC; International Automated Systems, LLC; LTB1, LLC; and Neldon Johnson, ("Defendants") by and through their counsel of record, Justin D. Heideman and Christian D. Austin, of the law firm Heideman & Associates, hereby submit their Objection to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Todd Anderson to Produce Documents. Plaintiff has requested production of 15 privileged documents.¹ Plaintiff has accused the Defendants of making false statements with scienter,² and seems to believe that these documents are likely to produce information pertinent to their accusation. In support of the Plaintiff's request, it has argued that the documents do not fall within the scope of privilege; and that the documents are inadequately described as to support a privilege claim.

Non-party, Todd Anderson ("Anderson") has requested that the Court deny the Plaintiff's motion entirely.³ Defendants join Anderson's request, and incorporate Anderson's arguments herein. However, Defendants additionally assert that (a) the requested documents fall under the scope of attorney-client privilege; (b) affirmatively state that Rule 502(a) does not apply; and (c) Defendants explicitly do not waive any privilege.

Plaintiff seeks these documents to establish scienter. Prerequisite to scienter, Plaintiff must (a) establish the scope of representations Defendants made to the public, and (b) prove actual falsity. The requested documents are irrelevant to these elements, and so they should not be produced. The documents are mostly items sent to the Defendants' attorney for an opinion. Other documents are invoices or correspondence regarding checks. As such, the requests should be denied.

Privilege is governed by the principles of the common law. Fed. R. Civ. P. 501. "The

¹ Previously identified as ALC Reference 470, and B-O. See Doc. 126-1, pp. 14-15; Doc. 138, p.2.

² Doc. 138, p.2.

³ See Doc. 144, p.1

attorney-client privilege protects confidential communications by a client to an attorney made in order to obtain legal assistance from the attorney in his capacity as a legal advisor." In re Grand Jury Proceedings, 616 F.3d 1172, 1182 (10thCir. 2010) (citation omitted). The attorney-client privilege is held by the client and the client has not given Mr. Anderson consent to disclose confidential and privileged information.

Fed. R. Civ. P. 502 does not apply to the requested documents. The disclosure of the Anderson letter was not made in a federal proceeding. Even if it did apply, the description of invoices is sufficient to establish different subject matter, and the description of all documents, and the operative policies driving the doctrine of attorney-client privilege, are sufficient to establish that disclosure would be unnecessary and unfair.

In summary, the 15 documents Plaintiff seeks are privileged. Defendants explicitly do not waive the privilege to any conversations they had with Todd Anderson, either pertaining to the creation of these privileged documents or otherwise. Accordingly, Plaintiff's motion should be denied in its entirety.

SIGNED and DATED this <u>4th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2017.

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<u>/s/ Justin D. Heideman</u> JUSTIN D. HEIDEMAN Attorney for RAPower-3, LLC, International Automated Systems, Inc., LTB1, and Neldon Johnson

<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>

On this 4th day of April, 2017, I hereby certify a true and correct copy of the forgoing **OBJECTION TO UNITED STATES' MOTION TO COMPEL TODD ANDERSON TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS** was served on the following:

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