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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs.	DEFENDANT NELDON JOHNSON'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES TO UNITED STATES' FIRST INTERROGATORIES
RAPOWER-3, LLC, INTERNATIONAL AUTOMATED SYSTEMS, INC., LTB1, LLC, R. GREGORY SHEPARD, NELDON JOHNSON, and ROGER FREEBORN, Defendants.	Civil No. 2:15-cv-00828-DN-BCW Judge David Nuffer Magistrate Judge Brooke C. Wells 451

COMES NOW, Defendant Neldon Johnson ("Mr. Johnson"), by and through counsel of

record, Justin D. Heideman, of the law firm of Heideman & Associates, and responds to the

interrogatories that were subject to the Order to Compel. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 33,

Defendant hereby submits these Supplemental Responses to United States' First

Interrogatories: Defendant responds and states:

# **INTERROGATORIES**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 10**: Identify the product (i.e. electricity, heat, hot water, cooling,

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desalinization, solar process heat or any other product) that the Lens, Systems, and Components are intended to produce, either in the past, currently, or in the future. To the extent that any product has been produced or is being produced, identify when it was produced, in what form, in what measurable amount and the revenues received for such product.

<u>RESPONSE NO. 10:</u> Mr. Johnson, acting in his capacity as an officer of International Automated Systems (IAUS) responds and incorporates all white papers and declarations by experts that have conducted prior inspections, or will conduct inspections, which declare that the system, the lens, and the components are instrumental in the creation of a focal point of solar energy, which when introduced into other components of the system can, if desired, be used to generate heat, solar energy heat, desalinated water – which is a byproduct of the operation of steam turbines, and heat exchangers within the system; and electricity.

The system was designed specifically to be used – in the initial stages – as a commercial research and development ("R&D") facility. The R&D was specifically geared toward the commercial application of the project. The project can best be defined as given in "Exhibit 1", attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** Identify what, and how many Lenses, Systems, and Components have been placed in service, as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 48(a)(1) and Treas. Reg. § 1.46-3(d). Your response should include the dates any Lens, System, or Component was placed in service.

<u>RESPONSE NO. 11</u>: Defendant personally does not place Lenses, Systems, or Components in service. As such, Mr. Johnson lacks personal knowledge and is unable to further answer the question.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 12**: Identify the costs you incurred to produce each lens, including the cost of procuring materials and manufacturing the final product that you sold to customers.

<u>RESPONSE NO. 12</u>: Defendant does not personally produce lenses or personally sell lenses to customers. Mr. Johnson has therefore not incurred costs to procure materials or manufacturing the final product.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 13**: Identify how you determined the price each customer must pay per lens, to include the amount of profit, amount of down payment, and the terms of repayment.

<u>RESPONSE NO. 13:</u> See the business plan attached hereto as "Exhibit 1" and which is made a part hereof by this reference. R&D on this project has been evaluated at between \$25 and \$30 million dollars. See also the schedule 10K and 10Q filings issued by IAUS. It should be noted however that Cobblestone – which is the manufacturing entity – has substantial R&D expenses associated with the manufacturing methods necessary to create the specific system components. Cobblestone's methods are presently trade secret and documents pertaining to them are not in Mr. Johnson's possession at the present time.

Mr. Johnson has never personally sold a product. Mr. Johnson has been an officer, or manager, of different companies involved in this process, and as such has some knowledge associated therewith. The information herein is provided in a good faith effort to comply with the Court's Order. However, in Mr. Johnson's personal capacity, he can offer only information for which he has personal knowledge. **INTERROGATORY NO. 18**: Identify all attorneys or other tax advisors you consulted or from whom you received tax advice regarding any Lens, System, Component, including the dates consulted, the dates any advice was received, and the form of the advice (*i.e.* oral, email, memoranda, opinion letters, other written correspondence, etc.).

<u>RESPONSE NO. 18:</u> Mr. Johnson has not personally met with any attorneys in his individual capacity. Any attorneys he has met or spoke with was done in his capacity as an officer or official for IAUS or a manager of another of the Defendant companies. As a result, no additional information is available to produce in response to this interrogatory, as it is propounded to Mr. Johnson in his personal capacity.

#### VERIFICATION OF RESPONSES

As to Objections:

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017,

#### HEIDEMAN & ASSOCIATES /s/ Justin D. Heideman JUSTIN D. HEIDEMAN Attorney for Defendant

### VERIFICATION OF RESPONSES

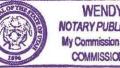
Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Supplemental responses to the United States' First Interrogatories to Neldon Johnson, are true and correct.

NELDON, JOHNSON

Sworn & Subscribed to before me, a notary public, this  $3^{rq}$  day of May, 2017.

OTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires on <u>5-13-201</u>9



WENDY POULSEN NOTARY PUBLIC • STATE OF UTAH My Commission Expires May 13, 2019 COMMISSION NUMBER 682727

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

# On May 3, 2017, I hereby certify a true and correct copy of the forgoing DEFENDNAT NELDON JOHNSON'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES TO UNITED STATES' FIRST INTERROGATORIES was served on the following:

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