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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

VS.

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-EJF

DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO TODD AND JESSICA ANDERSONS' MOTION TO MODIFY TRIAL SUBPOENA [DOC. 343]

Judge David Nuffer Magistrate Judge Evelyn J. Furse

Defendants have no objection to reasonable modification of the Andersons' trial subpoena. Plaintiff issued the subpoena. Plaintiff has designated the Andersons as "will-call" witnesses. Defendants have also designated the Andersons as "may-call" witnesses. Their testimony will be meaningful to the case.

The Andersons cite various reasons for modifying the trial subpoena, most relate to the costs of attending trial far from their home in Delta, Utah. The reasons given by the Andersons' to modify the trial subpoena are:

1. Travel costs.

2. Child care costs.

3. Lost income from the joint legal practice.<sup>1</sup>

4. Schedule issues.<sup>2</sup>

Defendants agree that as important witnesses the Anderson's should be compensated for

the subpoena to appear. The relevant authority for witness fees associated with a federal civil

court subpoena appears to be 28 USC 1821, which provides for an attendance fee of \$40 per day

and mileage of \$57.5 per mile. The Andersons should be given reasonable notice of the specific

day(s) they may be required to give testimony. However, Defendants do not agree that

Andersons should be granted fees for lost income.

Participating in the judicial process may be time consuming and interfere with the normal

activities of the Anderson's practice, but there is no basis to suggest that the time spent in this

case will prevent the Andersons from meeting their obligations in their practice or prevent them

from adjusting their schedules to accommodate the trial schedule. Unlike a doctor that has set

appointments that she may miss and cannot replace, an attorney works in increments of time and

can replace time spent traveling or dedicated to this trial at another time during evenings or

weekends.

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<sup>1</sup> Motion, Doc. 343, section I.

 $^{2}$  Id., p. 2 at ¶ 3.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing **DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO TODD AND JESSICA ANDERSONS' MOTION TO MODIFY TRIAL SUBPOENA** [**DOC. 343**] was sent to counsel for the United States in the manner described below.

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