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The Honorable James L. Robart United States District Court Western District of Washington 700 Stewart Street, Suite 14128 Seattle, WA 98101-9906

Re: Microsoft Corp. v. Motorola, Inc., et al., No. 10-cv-1823-JLR

Dear Judge Robart:

We write to request permission to renew Microsoft's Rule 702 Motion with respect to Richard Holleman and Gregory Leonard. Following the July 30, 2013 hearing, Motorola submitted a letter to the Court setting forth changes in the opinions that Holleman and Leonard will offer at trial. (*See* Dkt. No. 810.) But Motorola's proposed changes do not cure the problems that were identified in Microsoft's motion and discussed at the hearing.<sup>1</sup>

It is exclusively within the province of this Court to instruct the jury on what Motorola's contractual RAND licensing commitments do and do not require. While it may be appropriate for an expert to repeat the Court's findings on contract interpretation in route to providing some expert opinion relevant and potentially helpful to the jury's deliberations, no expert should be permitted at this stage to fill in around the edges of the Court's rulings with new interpretations, much less contradict the Court's prior contract interpretations or mislead the jury by taking the Court's prior findings out of context.

As a preliminary matter, although the Court directed the parties to state "what is still in and what has been withdrawn," Ex. 1, 7/30/2013 Hearing Tr. 99:8–9, rather than withdrawing the paragraphs containing improper testimony, Motorola instead substantively changed its experts' proposed testimony in a number of ways through internal deletions and additions within various paragraphs. These substantive changes have not lived up to what Motorola told the Court at the hearing, and they have not remedied the defects challenged in Microsoft's motion. Three sets of examples are illustrative:

Leonard's rebuttal report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is evident not only from the changes made by Motorola but moreover from the fact that the letter fails to address multiple paragraphs of the experts' reports identified in Microsoft's motion, including paragraphs 33, 34, 35, 39, and 47 of Holleman's opening report, paragraphs 60, 61, and 85 of Leonard's opening report, and paragraph 7 of

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First, Motorola assured the Court that it would strike paragraph 59 from Holleman's opening report, in the following exchange:

THE COURT: Well, let's take page 1, paragraph 59 as an example. You struck that. Is that correct?

MR. PRICE: Yes.

THE COURT: Okay. Then that's the one I want to concentrate on, because it will no longer be in the case. When you insert the words "simply intended," I would use "simply intended" to be contrary to my order in this matter.

MR. PRICE: And I understand.

THE COURT: And, you know, I don't want to ask you if you agree or disagree with that. I'm glad you struck it. But that's the kind of thing that I need to prevent you from doing, because it's going to waste everybody's time, and all we're going to do is have objections to it at trial, and I'll sustain them.

Ex. 1 at 84:14–85:2.

Motorola did not strike paragraph 59. Instead, it made the following modification: "RAND commitments are simply intended to foster good faith negotiations between essential patent holders and standard implementers," and deleted the last sentence (which was one of Holleman's conclusions of "good faith"). (See Dkt. No. 810 at 3.) The statement remains a misleading half-truth, and coupled with the rest of Holleman's report (devoid of any suggestion that the RAND licensing commitment imposes any obligation other than negotiation), will give the jury the impression that all Motorola had to do was "negotiate" with Microsoft. That false impression is directly contrary to this Court's prior rulings. (See Dkt. No. 465, October 12, 2012 Order at 14.)

Motorola also rewrote paragraphs 31 and 36 of Holleman's report, which make the same misleading suggestion:

From the SDO's perspective, the patent holder fulfills who executes an LOA must be its RAND obligation by being willing to enter into good faith negotiations.

[F]rom the SDO's perspective, the patent holder acts consistently with a its RAND obligation **must be** by being willing to enter into negotiations . . .

(Dkt. No. 810 at 2, ¶¶ 31, 36.) This rephrasing does not cure the problems with Holleman's report. His proposed testimony remains primed to mislead the jury into accepting Motorola's erroneous position that the RAND licensing commitment consists only of an obligation to negotiate, not an obligation to (a) provide a license on RAND terms, and (b) refrain from making blatantly unreasonable demands at any time.

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Second, Motorola's counsel assured the Court that "Mr. Holleman is not going to be giving an opinion on whether or not these actions were, in fact, in good faith." Ex. 1 at 82:4–6. Despite Motorola's revisions, Holleman's proposed testimony still includes that opinion: Paragraph 33 of his report, which Motorola left unmodified, opines that Motorola's October 2010 letters "expressed a willingness to negotiate in good faith."

Paragraph 34 of Holleman's report, also unmodified, includes the implication of Motorola's good faith along with the implication that Microsoft acted improperly: "Rather than enter into good faith negotiations with Motorola, Microsoft filed this lawsuit against Motorola." This opinion implies an interpretation of Motorola's and Microsoft's duties that is contrary to the Court's rulings, including the implication that it was improper for Microsoft to sue for breach without making a counteroffer. (*See* Dkt. No. 335, June 6, 2012 Order at 19 (noting that under Motorola's flawed interpretation, "Motorola could preemptively request exorbitant compensation for its standard essential technology, and the implementer would be compelled to negotiate in good faith in response to the exorbitant demand"); Dkt. No. 66, June 1, 2011 Order at 5 ("There is no legal basis for Motorola's contention that Microsoft was required to negotiate the precise license terms before filing a breach of contract claim.").) Holleman's opinion either contradicts the Court's rulings—which is the real import—or is an irrelevant observation.

Motorola's assurances to the Court that no opinion testimony would be given on the conclusion of good faith did not extend to Leonard: Paragraphs 61 and 85 of his opening report were untouched by Motorola's letter, and still offer Leonard's inadmissible opinion that Motorola acted in good faith.

Third, Motorola's revisions to Holleman's report offer a new opinion about injunctions and standard-essential patents: Holleman now opines that injunctions can be sought "if appropriate under applicable law." (Dkt. No. 810 at 1, ¶¶ 15, 21.) This is a tautology and is entirely unhelpful to the jury. Whether or not Motorola could pursue injunctions at all, or under what circumstances, are legal questions framed by the parties' summary judgment motions, and are for the Court to resolve.

These examples are illustrative of the problems Motorola's light editing of its experts' reports failed to resolve or created anew. All of the improper testimony identified in Microsoft's motion should be excluded.

Very truly yours,

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