~~Default Protective Order~~

PROTECTIVE ORDER

This protective order governs the treatment and filing of confidential information, including documents and testimony.

1. Confidential information shall be clearly marked "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL" or "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL – ATTORNEY'S EYES ONLY".

2. Access to confidential information marked "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL" is limited to the following individuals who have executed the acknowledgment appended to this order:

(A) Parties. Persons who are owners of a patent involved in the proceeding and other persons who are named parties to the proceeding.

(B) Party Representatives. Representatives of record for a party in the proceeding.

(C) Experts. Retained experts of a party in the proceeding who further certify in the Acknowledgement that they are not a competitor to any party, or a consultant for, or employed by, such a competitor with respect to the subject matter of the proceeding.

(D) In-house counsel. In-house counsel of a party.

(E) Support Personnel. Administrative assistants, clerical staff, court reporters and other support personnel of the foregoing persons who are reasonably necessary to assist those persons in the proceeding shall not be required to sign an Acknowledgement, but shall be informed of the terms and requirements of the Protective Order by the person they are supporting who receives confidential information.

(F) The Office. Employees and representatives of the United States Patent and Trademark Office who have a need for access to the confidential information shall have such access without the requirement to sign an Acknowledgement. Such

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employees and representatives shall include the Director, members of the Board and their clerical staff, other support personnel, court reporters, and other persons acting on behalf of the Office.

3. Access to confidential information marked "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL–ATTORNEY'S EYES ONLY" is limited to the following individuals who have executed the acknowledgment appended to this order:

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~~3.~~4. Employees (e.g., corporate officers), consultants, or other persons performing work for a party, other than in-house counsel and in-house counsel's support staff, who sign the Acknowledgement shall be extended access to confidential information only upon agreement of the parties or by order of the Board upon a motion brought by the party seeking to disclose confidential information to that person. The party opposing disclosure to that person shall have the burden of proving that such person should be restricted from access to confidential information.

~~4.~~5. Persons receiving confidential information shall use reasonable efforts to maintain the confidentiality of the information, including:

(A) Maintaining such information in a secure location to which persons not authorized to receive the information shall not have access;

(B) Otherwise using reasonable efforts to maintain the confidentiality of the information, which efforts shall be no less rigorous than those the recipient uses to maintain the confidentiality of information not received from the disclosing party;

(C) Ensuring that support personnel of the recipient who have access to the confidential information understand and abide by the obligation to maintain the confidentiality of information received that is designated as confidential; and

(D) Limiting the copying of confidential information to a reasonable number of copies needed for conduct of the proceeding and maintaining a record of the locations of such copies.

~~5.~~6. Persons receiving confidential information shall use the following procedures to maintain the confidentiality of the information:

(A) Documents and Information Filed With the Board.

(i) A party may file documents or information with the Board that are designated as "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL" or " PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL – ATTORNEY'S EYES ONLY," along with a Motion to Seal. A party may also file documents or information with the Board (to the extent such documents are relevant to the proceedings before the Board), along with a Motion to Seal, that were are produced during discovery in the related court proceeding *Tsteigen, Inc. et al. v. Viking Drill & Tool, Inc.*, Case No. 0:21-cv-02759 JWB/JFD (D. Minn.), in compliance with the Amended Protective Order entered therein (ECF No. 126). The Motion to Seal should provide a non-confidential description of the nature of the confidential information that is under seal, and set forth the reasons why the information is confidential and should not be made available to the public. A party may challenge the confidentiality of the information by opposing the Motion to Seal. The submission shall be treated as confidential and remain under seal, unless the Board determines that the documents or information do not to qualify for confidential treatment. The information shall remain under seal unless the Board determines that some or all of the information does not qualify for confidential treatment.

(ii) Where confidentiality is alleged as to some but not all of the information submitted to the Board, the submitting party shall file confidential and non-confidential versions of its submission, together with a Motion to Seal the confidential version setting forth the reasons why the information redacted from the non-confidential version is confidential and should not be made

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available to the public. A party may challenge the confidentiality of the information by opposing the Motion to Seal. The non-confidential version of the submission shall clearly indicate the locations of information that has been redacted. The confidential version of the submission shall be filed under seal. The redacted information shall remain under seal unless the Board determines that some or all of the redacted information does not qualify for confidential treatment.

(B) Documents and Information Exchanged Among the Parties. Documents (including deposition transcripts) and other information designated as confidential that are disclosed to another party during discovery or other proceedings before the Board shall be clearly marked as "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL" or "PROTECTIVE ORDER MATERIAL – ATTORNEY'S EYES ONLY" and shall be produced in a manner that maintains its confidentiality.

~~6.~~7. Within 60 days after the final disposition of this action or of the related court proceeding *Tsteigen, Inc. et al. v. Viking Drill & Tool, Inc.*, Case No. 0:21-cv-02759-JWB/JFD (D. Minn.), including the exhaustion of all appeals and motions (whichever comes later), each party receiving confidential information must return, or certify the destruction of, all copies of the confidential information to the producing party.

~~7.~~8. Standard Acknowledgement of Protective Order. The following form may be used to acknowledge the~~a~~ protective order, a copy of which is to be provided to the other party, and gain access to information covered by the protective order:

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VIKING DRILL & TOOL, INC.

Petitioner

v.

HONGJIA WANG

Patent Owner

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U.S. Patent No. 11,007,583

Standard Acknowledgment for Access to Protective Order Material

I _____, affirm that I have read the Protective Order; that I will abide by its terms; that I will use the confidential information only in connection with this proceeding and for no other purpose; that I will only allow access to support staff who are reasonably necessary to assist me in this proceeding; that prior to any disclosure to such support staff I informed or will inform them of the requirements of the Protective Order; that I am personally responsible for the requirements of the terms of the Protective Order and I agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the Office and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia for purposes of enforcing the terms of the Protective Order and providing remedies for its breach.

Date: [Signature]

[Print Name]

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