

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
2900 Crystal Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513

Mailed: March 25, 2003

Applicant: Hansgrohe AG
Serial No.: 75938420
Filed: 03/08/2000
Mark: WELLPOOL

ANDREA P. DENKLAU
WHIRLPOOL PROPERTIES, INC
500 RENAISSANCE DRIVE, SUITE 101
ST JOSEPH, MI 49085

MICHELLE GREENFIELD, LEGAL ASSISTANT:

Counsel for **Whirlpool Properties, Inc.**, potential opposer herein, has on March 10, 2003 filed a request for a further thirty day extension of time in which to file an opposition to the above-identified application.

The additional extension of time requested on behalf of potential opposer, if granted, would result in total extensions of time aggregating 150 days from the date of publication of applicant's mark. Trademark Rule 2.102(c), as amended July 15, 1996, provides in part as follows:

. . . extensions of time to file an opposition aggregating more than 120 days from the date of publication of the application will not be granted except upon (1) a written consent or stipulation signed by the applicant or its authorized representative, or (2) a written request by the potential opposer or its authorized representative stating that the applicant or its authorized representative has consented to the request, or (3) a showing of extraordinary circumstances, it being considered that a potential opposer has an adequate alternative remedy by a petition for cancellation.

Inasmuch as the circumstances recited in the instant request are not deemed to be extraordinary in nature, and since there is no indication that applicant has consented thereto, the request is denied. Potential opposer's remedy lies in the filing of a petition for cancellation after applicant's application has matured into registration.