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AFTER FINAL ACTION DENIED

Issue date: July 19, 2019

Applicant's request for reconsideration is denied. See 37 C.F.R. §2.63(b)(3). The trademark examining attorney has carefully reviewed applicant's request and determined the request did not: (1) raise a new issue, (2) resolve all the outstanding issue(s), (3) provide any new or compelling

evidence with regard to the outstanding issue(s), or (4) present analysis and arguments that were persuasive or shed new light on the outstanding issue(s). TMEP §§715.03(a)(ii)(B), 715.04(a).

Accordingly, the following refusal made final in the Office action dated December 27, 2018 is **maintained and continued**:

• Section 2(d) Refusal- Likelihood of Confusion

See TMEP §§715.03(a)(ii)(B), 715.04(a).

SECTION 2(d) REFUSAL-LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

As previously argued, the applied-for mark, LOVE ADDICTS, is confusingly similar to the registered mark in U.S. Reg. No. 4010139 for LOVE ADDICT and their respective goods of "Men's shirts, men's t-shirts, men's hoodies, men's beanies, and men's hats" in International Class 25 and "body creams; Body lotions; Scented body spray; Shower gels" in International Class 3, are related.

Here, the marks were compared in their entireties for similarities in appearance, sound, connotation, and commercial impression. *Stone Lion Capital Partners, LP v. Lion Capital LLP*, 746 F.3d 1317, 1321, 110 USPQ2d 1157, 1160 (Fed. Cir. 2014) (quoting *Palm Bay Imps., Inc. v. Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Maison Fondee En 1772*, 396 F. 3d 1369, 1371, 73 USPQ2d 1689, 1691 (Fed. Cir. 2005)); TMEP §1207.01(b)-(b)(v). The marks were found to be similar as they share the similar elements of "LOVE" and "ADDICT", with applicant's mark is simply the plural version of the registered mark. It is well settled that an applied-for mark that is the singular or plural form of a registered mark is essentially identical in sound, appearance, meaning, and commercial impression, and thus the marks are confusingly similar. *Swiss Grill Ltd.*, *v. Wolf Steel Ltd.*, 115 USPQ2d 2001, 2011 n.17 (TTAB 2015) (holding "it is obvious that the virtually identical marks [the singular and plural of SWISS GRILL] are confusingly similar"); *Weider Publ'ns, LLC v. D & D Beauty Care Co.*, 109 USPQ2d 1347, 1355 (TTAB 2014) (finding the singular and plural forms of SHAPE to be essentially the same mark) (citing *Wilson v. Delaunay*, 245 F.2d 877, 878, 114 USPQ 339, 341 (C.C.P.A. 1957) (finding no material difference between the singular and plural forms of ZOMBIE such that the marks were considered the same mark). Thus, the marks essentially mean the same thing and consumers would be confused as to the source of the goods.

As for the similarity between the goods at hand, the previously attached evidence has shown that consumers regularly encounter clothing, including men's clothing, and personal care products in commerce emanating from the same source. Further, the evidence below continues to show how entities provide both products under the same brand:

Calvin Klein

- **T-shirts**: https://www.calvinklein.us/en/logo-block-crewneck-t-shirt-21877444?rec=LP&ab=men desktop 16
- **Hoodies**: https://www.calvinklein.us/en/oversized-logo-hoodie-21669377-102
- Hats: https://www.calvinklein.us/en/monogram-logo-cotton-twill-cap-45004753-238
- **Scented body spray** (perfume): https://www.calvinklein.us/en/2-piece-eternity-air-for-women-gift-set-44023494

DKNY

- Beanies:
 - https://www.donnakaran.com/product/ribbed+ombr%C3%A9+beanie.do?from=Search&cx=0
- Hats

 https://www.donnakaran.com/product/color+block+trucker+hat.do?sortby=ourPicks&from=Search&selectedOption=564175
- Body lotions & Scented body spray (perfume): https://www.donnakaran.com/category/dkny/fragrance/view+all.do

Dr. Mercola

- **T-shirts**: https://shop.mercola.com/category/1403/1/t-shirts
- Hoodies: https://shop.mercola.com/category/1665/1/hooded-sweatshirt
- **Hats**: https://shop.mercola.com/product/1123/1/mercola-training-hat
- Body lotions: https://shop.mercola.com/category/1659/1/lotion-body-butter

Tommy Hilfiger

- **T-shirts**: https://usa.tommy.com/en/box-logo-t-shirt-dm06089
- **Hoodies**: https://usa.tommy.com/en/men/hoodies-sweatshirts-men/organic-cotton-crest-hoodie-mw10760
- **Hats**: https://usa.tommy.com/en/flag-cap-am04508
- Body lotions & Scented body spray (Eau de Toilette): https://usa.tommy.com/en/women/womens-fragrance/tommy-girl-fragrance-gift-set-2lc2-y8

Coach

- **T-shirt:** https://www.coach.com/coach-rexy-and-carriage-t-shirt/36729.html?dwvar_size=S&dwvar_color=HGR
- Body lotion: https://www.coach.com/coach-for-men-eau-de-toilette-3-piece-gift-set/B1023.html?cgid=men-fragrance&dwvar_size=ONE&dwvar_color=L38#cgid=men-fragrance&start=5

Avon

- T-shirts: https://www.avon.com/product/hi-from-hawaii-tee-68166
- **Body creams**: https://www.avon.com/product/avon-planet-spa-heavenly-hydration-body-cream-58687
- Body lotions: https://www.avon.com/category/fragrance/body-lotion
- Scented body spray: https://www.avon.com/search/body%20spray
- **Shower gels**: https://www.avon.com/category/fragrance/shower-gel

While applicant argues that clothing and personal care products lend a different connotation to each of the marks, that is not the case. The marks convey to consumers the idea of an individual or individuals addicted to love. The fact that the mark is used on clothing or personal care items does not change that meaning. Applicant also argues that the registered goods are meant for women, however nothing in registrant's recitation of goods makes this limiting statement. Determining likelihood of confusion is based on the description of the goods stated in the application and registration at issue, not on extrinsic evidence of actual use. *See In re Detroit Athletic Co.*, 903 F.3d 1297, 1307, 128 USPQ2d 1047, 1052 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (citing *In re i.am.symbolic, Ilc*, 866 F.3d 1315, 1325, 123 USPQ2d 1744, 1749 (Fed. Cir. 2017)). As seen from registrant's goods, the registered mark is used in connection with "Body creams; Body lotions; Scented body spray; Shower gels" with no restrictions as to nature, type, channels of trade, or classes of purchasers. Although applicant has limited it's clothing to men's clothing, the evidence of record shows that consumer's encounter men's clothing in connection with personal care products.

Thus, when consumers encounter the clothing provided by applicant and the personal care products provided by registrant, it is not unreasonable to believe that consumers they will view them as coming from the same source.

Accordingly, the request is denied for the reasons described above and in the previous Office actions, along with the evidence attached in all actions.

If applicant has already filed an appeal with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, the Board will be notified to resume the appeal. *See* TMEP §715.04(a).

If applicant has not filed an appeal and time remains in the six-month response period, applicant has the remainder of that time to (1) <u>file another request for reconsideration</u> that complies with and/or overcomes any outstanding final requirement(s) and/or refusal(s), and/or (2) <u>file a notice of appeal</u> to the Board. TMEP §715.03(a)(ii)(B). Filing a request for reconsideration does not stay or extend the time for filing an appeal. 37 C.F.R. §2.63(b)(3); see TMEP §715.03(c).

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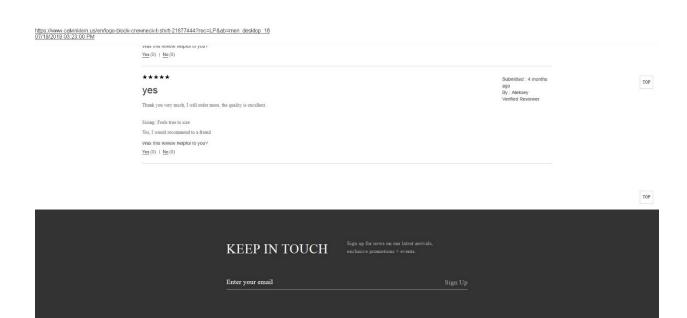


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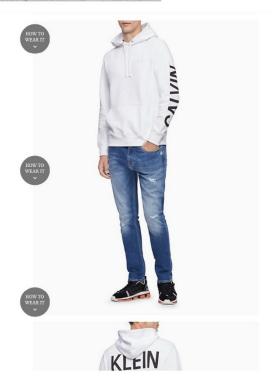
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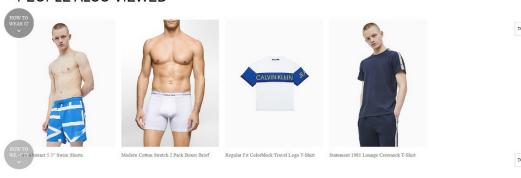
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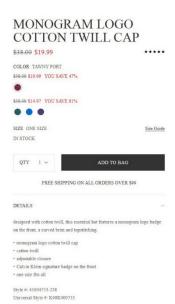
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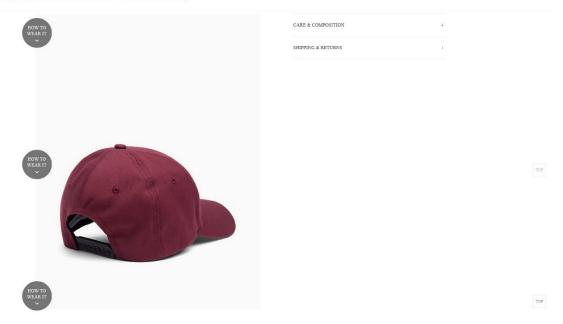
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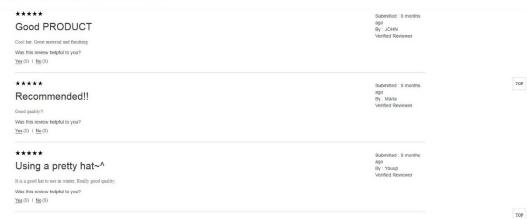


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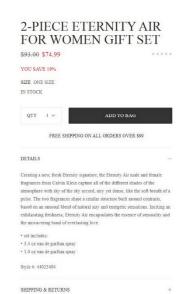
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