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Opposition No. 91168776
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Sociedade Dos Vinhos Borges, S.A.

v.

Vina San Pedro, S.A.

Cancellation No. 92045026

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Nicole M. Thier, Paralegal Specialist

Applicant's consented motion filed May 5, 2008, to suspend proceedings to allow settlement negotiation efforts to continue, is granted.

The Board notes that since 2006, the parties have effected numerous extensions and stipulations to suspend this proceeding to accommodate the parties' settlement negotiations, yet no settlement has been reached. If the

parties agree to another extension or suspension, they will be expected to report to the Board on the progress of their settlement negotiations. Such report must include a recitation of issues that have been resolved, issues that remain to be resolved, and a firm timetable for resolution. **Absent such a report, any future motion to extend or suspend, even though agreed upon by the parties, may not be approved.**

Proceedings herein are suspended until **six months** from the mailing date of this action, subject to the right of either party to request resumption at any time. See Trademark Rule 2.177(c).

In the even that there is no word from either part concerning the progress of their negotiations, upon conclusion of the suspension period, proceedings shall resume without further notice or order from the Board, upon the schedule set forth in Applicant's motion.

If, during the suspension period, either of the parties or their attorneys should have a change of address, the Board should be so informed.

NEWS FROM THE TTAB:

The USPTO published a notice of final rulemaking in the Federal Register on August 1, 2007, at 72 F.R. 42242. By this notice, various rules governing Trademark Trial and Appeal Board inter partes proceedings are amended. Certain amendments have an effective date of August 31, 2007, while most have an effective date of November 1, 2007. For further information, the parties are referred to a reprint

of the final rule and a chart summarizing the affected rules, their changes, and effective dates, both viewable on the USPTO website via these web addresses:
http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/com/sol/notices/72fr42242.pdf
http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/com/sol/notices/72fr42242_FinalRuleChart.pdf

By one rule change effective August 31, 2007, the Board's standard protective order is made applicable to all TTAB inter partes cases, whether already pending or commenced on or after that date. However, as explained in the final rule and chart, this change will not affect any case in which any protective order has already been approved or imposed by the Board. Further, as explained in the final rule, parties are free to agree to a substitute protective order or to supplement or amend the standard order even after August 31, 2007, subject to Board approval. The standard protective order can be viewed using the following web address:
http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/ttab/tbmp/stndagmnt.htm