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Proceeding	91175480
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VECTREN CORPORATION)	Opposition No.: 91175480
)	Mark: VICTRON ENERGY
Opposer,)	Serial No.: 79/015,107
)	
v.)	
)	ANSWER TO NOTICE OF
VICTRON ENERGY B.V.,)	OPPOSITION
)	
Applicant.)	

Victron Engergy B.V., (Applicant) by and through counsel, states as follows in an answer to the Notice of Opposition filed by Vectren Corporation (Opposer) in the captioned proceeding.

Applicant answers the numbered paragraphs of the Notice of Opposition as follows:

1. Admitted.
2. Applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in paragraph 2 and therefore denies the same.
3. Applicant admits that Registration Nos. 2,509,565; 2,432,276; 2,532,627; and 2,518,133 are in the name of Opposer in the records of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office but has no knowledge or belief as to the present ownership of these registrations and therefore denies the same.
4. No paragraph 4 appears in the Notice of Opposition.
5. Applicant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the accuracy of the allegations in Paragraphs 5 and 7 of the Notice of Opposition, and therefore denies the same.
6. Denied
7. Applicant admits that a federal registration certificate is prima facie evidence of the holder's exclusive right to use the registered mark in federally regulated commerce. Applicant denies that Opposer would be damaged by registration of Applicant's mark. Applicant

is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations set forth in Paragraph 7, and therefore denies the same.

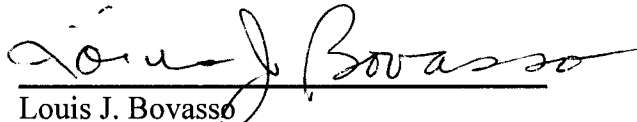
AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

1. The Notice of Opposition fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
2. Opposer lacks standing to bring the opposition proceeding.
3. Registration by Applicant of its mark would not be likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception in the market with respect to the Opposer's alleged marks and goods.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully prays the Opposition be denied.

Dated: March 28, 2007

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of this document entitled ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION is being served on Opposer via first class mail, with pre-paid postage thereon, on March 28, 2007, at the following address:

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