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Opposition No. 91182319

Max Rohr, Inc.

v.

Compagnie Des Cristalleries  
de Saint-Louis

**Brian D. Brown, Interlocutory Attorney:**

On October 28, 2008, applicant filed a proposed amendment to application Serial Nos. 79034196 and 79034197, with opposer's consent.

By the proposed amendments, applicant seeks to change the identification of goods in International Class 34 in both applications as follows:

**from**

Smokers' articles, namely, match boxes not of precious metal, cigar and cigarette cases not of precious metal, smokers' lighters, ashtrays not of precious metal for smokers, cigar and cigarette holders not of precious metal, pipe racks, match holders not of precious metal, tobacco jars not of precious metal, snuffboxes, tobacco pouches, tobacco pipe cleaners, cigar cutter

**to**

ashtrays made of crystal and smokers' lighters made of crystal.

Inasmuch as the amendment is clearly limiting in nature as required by Trademark Rule 2.71(a), and because opposer consents thereto, it is approved and entered in the underlying applications. See Trademark Rule 2.133(a).

If this resolves the dispute herein, opposer is allowed until thirty days from the mailing date of this order to file a withdrawal of the opposition, failing which the opposition will go forward on the applications as amended per the dates previously set forth in the parties' consented motion to extend. See Trademark Rule 2.106(c).

**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](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>