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January 13, 2021

Opposition No. 91264612

Hazelwood Soap Inc.

v.

Solace Soaps Inc.

Tyrone Craven, Supervisory Paralegal:

On November 5, 2020, Applicant was allowed until December 4, 2020 to respond to Opposer's motion to strike filed October 19, 2020, or otherwise amend its answer pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(1). On December 3, 2020, Applicant timely filed its amended answer.

In view thereof, Applicant's amended answer is accepted, made of record and is now Applicant's operative pleading herein. Opposer's motion to strike filed October 19, 2020 is moot and will be given no consideration.

Proceedings are resumed and trial dates, including conferencing, disclosure and discovery dates are reset as follows:

Deadline for Discovery Conference	2/12/2021
Discovery Opens	2/12/2021
Initial Disclosures Due	3/14/2021
Expert Disclosures Due	7/12/2021
Discovery Closes	8/11/2021
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures Due	9/25/2021

Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends	11/9/2021
Defendant's Pretrial Disclosures Due	11/24/2021
Defendant's 30-day Trial Period Ends	1/8/2022
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures Due	1/23/2022
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends	2/22/2022
Plaintiff's Opening Brief Due	4/23/2022
Defendant's Brief Due	5/23/2022
Plaintiff's Reply Brief Due	6/7/2022
Request for Oral Hearing (optional) Due	6/17/2022

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