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June 21, 2022

Opposition No. 91275574

Abbott Laboratories

v.

STEMCELL Technologies Canada Inc.

Kelly Young, Paralegal Specialist:

Applicant's motion filed May 20, 2022 to extend time to file its answer to the notice of opposition and to extend conference, disclosure, discovery and trial dates, is granted as conceded. Trademark Rule 2.127(a).

Answer is due August 20, 2022. An answer must be filed through ESTTA, the Board's Electronic System for Trademark Trials and Appeals. *See* Trademark Rule 2.106(b)(1).

The conference, disclosure, discovery and trial dates are reset in accordance with Applicant's motion.

Time to Answer	8/20/2022
Deadline for Discovery Conference	9/19/2022
Discovery Opens	9/19/2022
Initial Disclosures Due	10/19/2022
Expert Disclosures Due	2/16/2023
Discovery Closes	3/18/2023
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures Due	5/2/2023
Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends	6/16/2023

Defendant's Pretrial Disclosures Due	7/1/2023
Defendant's 30-day Trial Period Ends	8/15/2023
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures Due	8/30/2023
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends	9/29/2023
Plaintiff's Opening Brief Due	11/28/2023
Defendant's Brief Due	12/28/2023
Plaintiff's Reply Brief Due	1/12/2024
Request for Oral Hearing (optional) Due	1/22/2024

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