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Plaintiff BackWeb Technologies, LTD. ("BackWeb" or "Plaintiff") hereby files its complaint against Defendant Hewlett-Packard Company ("HP" or "Defendant"), for patent infringement. For its complaint, Plaintiff alleges, on personal knowledge as to its own acts and on information and belief as to all other matters, as follows:

#### **PARTIES**

- 1. BackWeb is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Israel, and has its principal place of business in Rosh Ha'ayin, Israel. BackWeb's wholly owned subsidiary, BackWeb Technologies, Inc. maintains its principal office in Santa Clara, California. BackWeb is and at all pertinent times was the assignee and owner of the patents at issue in this case.
- 2. HP is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business in Palo Alto, California.

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3. This complaint asserts a cause of action for patent infringement under the Patent Act, 35 U.S.C. § 271. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this matter by virtue of 28 U.S.C. § 1338(a). Venue is proper in this Court by virtue of 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and (c) and 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b), in that Defendant HP may be found in this district, has committed acts of infringement in this district, and a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred and a substantial part of property that is the subject of the action is situated in this district.
- 4. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant HP because it has a place of business in, and provides infringing products and services in, the Northern District of California.

#### **INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT**

5. Pursuant to Civil LR 3-2(c), this case should be subject to district-wide assignment because it is an Intellectual Property Action.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### The BackWeb Patents

- 6. Plaintiff owns a patent, U.S. Patent No. 5,913,040 ("'040 Patent"), issued on June 15, 1999, to inventors Yuval Rakavy and Eli Barkat. A true and correct copy of the '040 Patent is attached as Exhibit "A" and is incorporated herein by reference. Plaintiff is the legal and rightful owner of the '040 Patent.
- 7. The '040 Patent contains fourteen (14) patent claims covering unique and novel methods and processes for transmitting digital information in background mode over a communications link between a computer network and a local computer and throttling the transfer speed to create minimal interference with other processes communicating over the communications link. The digital information described in the patent could be in a variety of forms, including, but not limited to, news, weather, stock quotes, sports scores, software updates or trip reservation information.
- Patent") and U.S. Patent No. 6,539,429 ("'429 Patent"), issued on November 13, 2001 and March 25, 2003, respectively. A true and correct copy of the '789 Patent is attached as Exhibit "B" and is incorporated herein by reference. Plaintiff is the legal and rightful owner of the '789 Patent. A true and correct copy of the '429 Patent is attached as Exhibit "C" and is incorporated herein by reference. Plaintiff is the legal and rightful owner of the '429 Patent. The two continuation patents contain twenty-eight (28) patent claims covering unique and novel methods, processes and systems for transmitting digital information in

background mode over a communications link between a computer network and a local computer with minimal interference with other processes communicating over the communications link. Plaintiff's three patents in this patent family will be referred to herein as its Transparent Update Patents.

#### **HP's Infringing Goods and Services**

9. HP distributes and sells software for the management of enterprise computer systems called HP Client Automation that facilitates the distribution of software over network connections. These software updates are provided using bandwidth throttling technologies that allow for the software to be transferred in the background without disturbing the user's other network activities.

# COUNT I (Patent Infringement)

- 10. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations of paragraphs 1 through 10 above.
  - 11. BackWeb is the owner of the '040, '789, and '429 patents.
- 12. HP has infringed and is still infringing the Transparent Update Patents, by, without authority, consent, right or license, and in direct infringement of the patents, making, using, offering for sale and/or selling digital information transfer products using the methods, processes and apparatuses claimed in the patents in this country. This conduct constitutes infringement under 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).
- 13. In addition, HP has infringed and is still infringing the Transparent Update Patents in this country, through, *inter alia*, its active inducement of others to make, use, and/or sell the systems, products and methods claimed in one or more claims of the patents. This conduct constitutes infringement under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

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- 14. In addition, HP has infringed and is still infringing the Transparent Update Patents in this country through, *inter alia*, providing and selling goods and services including products designed for use in practicing one or more claims of the Transparent Update Patents, where the goods and services constitute a material part of the invention and are not staple articles of commerce, and which have no use other than infringing one or more claims of the Transparent Update Patents. HP has committed these acts with knowledge that the goods and services it provides are specially made for use in a manner that directly infringes the Transparent Update Patents. This conduct constitutes infringement under 35 U.S.C. § 271(c).
- 15. HP's infringing conduct is unlawful and willful. HP's willful conduct makes this an exceptional case as provided in 35 U.S.C. § 285.
- 16. As a result of HP's infringement, Plaintiff has been damaged, and will continue to be damaged, until they are enjoined from further acts of infringement.
- 17. HP will continue to infringe the Transparent Update Patents unless enjoined by this Court. Plaintiff faces real, substantial and irreparable damage and injury of a continuing nature from HP's infringement for which Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays:

- (a) That this Court find Defendant has committed acts of patent infringement under the Patent Act, 35 U.S.C. § 271;
  - (b) That this Court enter judgment that:
    - (i) The Transparent Update Patents are valid and enforceable;
  - (ii) Defendant HP has willfully infringed the Transparent Update

    Patents;

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- (c) That this Court issue a preliminary and final injunction enjoining HP, its officers, agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and any other person in active concert or participation with them, from continuing the acts herein complained of, and more particularly, that HP and such other persons be permanently enjoined and restrained from further infringing the Transparent Update Patents;
- (d) That this Court award Plaintiff the damages to which it is entitled due to

  Defendant HP's patent infringement, with both pre-judgment and post-judgment interest;
- (f) That Defendant HP's infringement of the BackWeb Patents be adjudged willful and that the damages to Plaintiff be increased by three times the amount found or assessed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- (g) That this be adjudged an exceptional case and that Plaintiff be awarded its attorney's fees in this action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- (h) That this Court award Plaintiff its costs and disbursements in this civil action, including reasonable attorney's fees; and
- (i) That this Court grant Plaintiff such other and further relief, in law or in equity, both general and special, to which it may be entitled.

Dated: September 23, 2010

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#### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff, by its undersigned attorneys, demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

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