UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD LOGIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT, LLC, Petitioner, V. FONTEM HOLDINGS 1 B.V., Patent Owner. Case IPR2015-00098 Patent 8,375,957

PATENT OWNER'S MANDATORY NOTICES

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8, Patent Owner, Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. submits the following Mandatory Notices in response to the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 8,375,957 ("the '957 patent" or "the involved patent").

1. Real Party-In-Interest

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(1), Patent Owner identifies the real party-in interest as Fontem Holdings 1 B.V.; 12th Floor, Barbara Strozzilaan 101; 1083 HN Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. is a Netherlands corporation and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Fontem Ventures B.V. also of 12th Floor, Barbara Strozzilaan 101; 1083 HN Amsterdam, The Netherlands, which is in turn a wholly owned subsidiary of Imperial Tobacco Group PLC. Imperial Tobacco Group PLC is an English corporation having a registered office at 121 Winterstoke Road, Bristol, UK BS3 2LL. Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. became the Patent Owner via an assignment executed December 9, 2013.

2. Related Matters

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(2), Patent Owner identifies the following related judicial proceedings (involving, among other patents, the '957 patent or related U.S. Patent No. 8,863,752).

- **a.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. NJOY, Inc., Civil Action No. 14-CV-1645 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **b.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. LOEC, Inc. dba blu cigs, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1648 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- c. Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. CB Distributors, Inc. and DR Distributors, LLC, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1649 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **d.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Vapor Corp., Civil Action No. 14-CV-1650 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- e. Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. FIN Branding Group, LLC and Victory Electronic Cigarettes Corporation, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1651 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;

- **f.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Ballantyne Brands, LLC, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1652 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **g.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Spark Industries, LLC, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1653 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **h.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Logic Technology Development LLC, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1654 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- i. Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. VMR Products, LLC, dba V2Cigs, Civil Action No. 14-CV-1655 GW (MRWx), U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.
- **j.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. NJOY, INC., Civil Action No. CV14-8144, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **k.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. LOEC, Inc., dba blu ecigs, Civil Action No. CV14-8149, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
- **1.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. CB Distributors, Inc., an Illinois corporation and DR distributors, LLC, dba 21st

Century Smoke, LLC, Civil Action No. CV14-8154, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;

- **m.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Vapor Corp., Civil Action No. CV14-8155, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **n.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. FIN Branding Group, LLC and Electronic Cigarettes International Group, Ltd., Civil Action No. CV14-8156, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **o.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Ballantyne Brands, LLC, Civil Action No. CV14-8157, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California;
- **p.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Spark Industries, LLC, Civil Action No. CV14-8158, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California:
- **q.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. Logic Technology Development LLC, Civil Action No. CV14-8160, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California; and
- **r.** Fontem Ventures B.V. and Fontem Holdings 1 B.V. v. VMR Products, LLC, dba V2CIGS, Civil Action No. CV14-8161, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

In addition, Patent Owner identifies the following related administrative matters pursuant to the Federal Register Vol. 77, No. 157, Final Rule, issued August 14, 2012 at page 48617: "Examples of related administrative matters that will be affected by the a decision in the proceeding include every application and patent that claims, or which may claim, the benefit of the priority of the filing date of the party's involved patent or application, as well as any ex parte and interpartes reexaminations for an involved patent."

- s. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20130139833, corresponding to U.S. Patent Application No. 13/754,521, filed January 30, 2013 and now pending, which is a continuation of the involved patent; and
- **t.** U.S. Patent No. 8,863,752, issued October 21, 2014 from U.S. Application No. 13/915,427, filed June 11, 2013, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 13/743,521 (item **s.** above).

3. Lead and BackUp Counsel

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3), Patent Owner identifies Michael J. Wise as lead counsel and Joseph P. Hamilton as backup counsel:

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4. Service Information

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 11th day of November, 2014, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **PATENT OWNER'S MANDATORY NOTICES** was served via electronic mail and U.S. Express Mail, Receipt No. EM448054919US upon the following counsel of record for Petitioner LOGIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT, LLC:

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