

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

ACCELERATION BAY LLC, :
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 Plaintiff, :
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 v. : Civil Action No. 16-453-RGA
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 ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC., :
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 Defendant. :

ACCELERATION BAY LLC, :
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 Plaintiff, :
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 v. : Civil Action No. 16-454-RGA
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 ELECTRONIC ARTS, INC., :
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 Defendant. :

ACCELERATION BAY LLC, :
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 Plaintiff, :
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 v. : Civil Action No. 16-455-RGA
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 TAKE-TWO INTERACTIVE :
 SOFTWARE, INC., et al., :
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 Defendants. :

ORDER

I am asked to sustain objections to a procedural ruling of the Special Master. (No. 16-453, D.I. 288). I review a procedural ruling for abuse of discretion. Fed. R. Civ. P. 53(f)(5).

The Special Master set a page limit on expert reports. This is not something I have done before,

although it is something I have thought about doing recently, as expert reports get longer and longer and therefore less and less useful.

The limit set by the Special Master was 2500 pages. To put this in perspective, War and Peace, one of the longest works of fiction ever published, is 1440 pages when translated to English. I also note that it is routine to put limits on the length of a trial; I do not think it is unreasonable to put a limit on the length of expert reports. I do not think the Special Master abused his discretion.

The objections are OVERRULED. The Special Master's Order No. 9 is AFFIRMED.
IT IS SO ORDERED this 8 day of September 2017.


United States District Judge.