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FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TYLER DIVISION

VIRNETX, INC. AND SCIENCE
APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL
CORP.,

Plaintiffs,
v.
MICROSOFT CORPORATION,
Defendant.

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