IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Application Serial No. 75	5/897,584
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Whiteco Industries, Inc. Opposer) 03-11-2002 U.S. Patent & TMOfc/TM Mail Ropt, Dt. #40
v.) Opposition No.:
Ms. Eva Heilbrunn)))
Applicant)

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Whiteco Industries, Inc., having a place of business at 1000 East 80th Place, Suite 700 North, Merrillville, Indiana 46410 (referred to herein as "Opposer"), believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark CELEBRATION STATION shown in Trademark Application Serial No. 75/897,584, filed January 15, 2000 in International Class 30 by Ms. Eva Heilbrunn (referred to herein as "Applicant") and hereby opposes the same. The application as published in the February 12, 2002 Official Gazette at TM-346 may be summarized as follows:

Serial No .:

75/897,584

Filed:

January 15, 2000

Applicant:

Eva Heilbrunn

Mark:

CELEBRATION STATION

Goods:

For gift baskets consisting of assorted products of others, namely cookies, crackers, candy and stuffed animals. (U.S. Cl. 46) (Int. Cl.

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Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of page TM-346 of the February 12, 2002, Official Gazette.

As grounds of opposition, it is alleged that:

- 1. Opposer is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Nebraska.
- 2. Since 1989, Opposer has used the marks CELEBRATION STATION®, Reg. No. 1,677,947, and CELEBRATION STATION FUN CENTER (and Design)®, Reg. No. 1,718,892, in conjunction with family-friendly entertainment centers. In 1990, Opposer also began using the mark, CELEBRATION STATION FAMILY FUN CENTER®, Reg. No. 1,677,948, for its entertainment centers.
- 3. On August 1, 1994, Opposer expanded its use and began using the mark CELEBRATION STATION®, Reg. No. 1,974,116, in conjunction with interactive audiovisual games, contests, and competitions.
- 4. On August 25, 1994, Opposer further expanded its use and began using the marks, CELEBRATION STATION®, Reg. No. 2,498,343 and CELEBRATION STATION (and Design)®, Reg. No. 2,498,344, in conjunction with toys, game prizes, and party favors, including stuffed toy animals, toy balls, toy flying discs, toy pails and toy pouches.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Applicant did not use her CELEBRATION STATION mark in connection with the goods listed in her application in interstate commerce in the United States, or in commerce between the United States and any foreign country until December 20, 1999, which is ten years after Opposer first began using its CELEBRATION STATION® mark and five years after Opposer began using CELEBRATION STATION® in conjunction with toys, including stuffed animals.



- 6. By virtue of its efforts, and the expenditure of considerable sums for promotional activities, and by virtue of the excellence of its services, Opposer has gained a most valuable reputation and exceedingly valuable goodwill in its CELEBRATION STATION® and related marks.
- 7. The trademark proposed for registration by Applicant is identical to Opposer's CELEBRATION STATION® marks, Reg. Nos. 1,677,947, 1,974,116, and 2,498,343, and confusingly similar to its related marks, Reg. Nos. 1,677,948, 1,718,892, and 2,498,344. Applicant's use of the CELEBRATION STATION mark on the goods identified in the application is likely to cause confusion and lead to deception as to the origin of Applicant's goods.
 - 8. Applicant's registration of this mark would result in confusion and substantial damage and injury to Opposer. Persons familiar with Opposer's marks are likely to buy Applicant's goods under the mistaken belief that they originate with, or are licensed, sponsored or approved by Opposer. Any such confusion would inevitably result in loss of sales to Opposer, and tarnish Opposer's goodwill and reputation established in its CELEBRATION STATION® marks.
 - 9. Registration of the CELEBRATION STATION mark to Applicant would be a source of damage and injury to the Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that the application Serial No. 75/897,584 be rejected, and that the mark therein sought for the goods therein specified be denied and refused.

Opposer hereby submits this Notice of Opposition in duplicate along with the requisite filing fee in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) as Applicant's CELEBRATION



STATION mark covers a single class of goods. Please charge any additional fees or credit any excess to our Deposit Account No. 09-0007.

Please direct all communications to Brian T. Ster of Ice Miller, One American Square, Box 82001, Indianapolis, Indiana 46282-0002.

Dated this 12th day of March , 2002

Sincerely,

ICE MILLER

Brian T. Ster

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Phone: (317) 236-5941 Fax: (317) 592-4820

Enclosures: Postcard

Check in the amount of \$300.00

Exhibit A

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CLASS 30—STAPLE FOODS

CLASS 30—(Continued).

SN 75-638,511. GREENLIGHT FILMPRODUKTION GMBH, 80797 MUNICH, FED REP GERMANY, FILED 2-11-1999.

SN 75-907,617. EASLEY, MOSES L.; III, DBA M & M INDUSTRIES, SAN FRANCISCO, CA. FILED 1-31-2000.



FOR EDIBLE CAKE DECORATIONS, CANDY BREAK-FAST CEREALS, CHEWING GUM, COOKIES, POPPED AND CANDY COATED POPCORN, CAKES, FROZEN CONFECTIONS, COCOA, ICE CREAM, PRETZELS AND TORTILLA CHIPS (U.S. CL. 46).

THE MARK IS LINED FOR THE COLORS BLUE, RED AND GREEN.
FOR BARBEQUE SAUCE AND COOKING AND DIPPING SAUCE (U.S. CL. 46).
FIRST USE 5-21-1999; IN COMMERCE 9-4-1999.

SN 75-809,170. NEXT CEREALS, LLC, CARLSBAD, CA. FILED 9-27-1999.

SN 75-945,486. SANFORD FARADAY, INC., FORT OGLETHORPE, GA. FILED 2-25-2000.

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FOR BREAKFAST CEREALS AND PROCESSED CEREALS, CEREAL BASED SNACK FOODS (U.S. CL. 46).

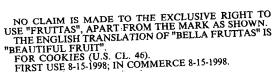
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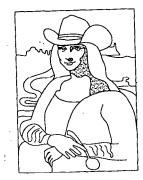
FOR CANDY (U.S. CL. 46). FIRST USE 10-7-1996; IN COMMERCE 6-21-1999.

SN 75-869,581. MARKOVICH, LILLIAN, DIAMOND BAR, CA. FILED 12-13-1999.

SN 76-021,858. DEPWEG, ADAM, CUCHARA, CO. ANI DEPWEG, JILL, CUCHARA, CO. FILED 4-7-2000.







SN 75-897,584. HEILBRUNN, EVA, SAN DIEGO, CA. FILED 1-15-2000.

CELEBRATION STATION

FOR GIFT BASKETS CONSISTING OF ASSORTED PRODUCTS OF OTHERS, NAMELY COOKIES, CRACKERS, CANDY AND STUFFED ANIMALS (U.S. CL. 46). FIRST USE 12-20-1999; IN COMMERCE 12-20-1999.

THE STIPPLING SHOWN IN THE DRAWING IS FOR SHADING PURPOSES ONLY.

THE PORTRAIT OF THE DRAWING DOES NOT REPROSENT A LIVING INDIVIDUAL.

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