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Mattel, Inc.,  Opposer,  vs.  MGA Entertainment, Inc.,  Applicant.	Examining Attorney Opposition No. 91-162237
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**OPPOSER'S RESPONSE TO ORDER RE: STATUS OF CIVIL ACTION**

The Board has ordered the parties to inform it of the status of the civil action that occasioned the suspension of this proceeding. Opposer, Mattel, Inc. (“Mattel”), hereby respectfully responds to the Board’s Order. By Order dated February 12, 2009, the Board suspended the instant proceedings because the parties were involved in a pending civil action that may be dispositive of or have a bearing on the Board case. The civil action that occasioned the suspension was captioned *Carter Bryant v. Mattel, Inc.*, Case No. CV 04-9049, and *MGA Entertainment, Inc. v. Mattel, Inc.*, Case No. CV-05-02727. As explained in Opposer’s December 5, 2013 submission to the Board regarding the civil action’s status, the civil action was still pending as of that time, although the United States Court of Appeals had ordered dismissal of MGA’s trade secret claim without prejudice. Subsequently, the United States District Court for the Central District of California dismissed MGA’s trade secrets claim without prejudice. MGA then refiled its civil action on January 13, 2014 in Los Angeles County Superior Court. MGA’s refiled civil action is captioned *MGA Entertainment, Inc. v. Mattel, Inc.*, Case No. BC 532708. A copy of MGA’s Complaint in the civil action is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. A copy of Mattel’s Answer in the civil action is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

Accordingly, although now being litigated in a different court, the civil action that occasioned the Board's suspension of this proceeding remains pending.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 23, 2015

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BC532708

MGA ENTERTAINMENT, INC., a  
California corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MATTEL, INC., a Delaware corporation,  
and DOES 1-50, inclusive,

Defendant.

Case No.

**CIVIL COMPLAINT FOR  
TRADE SECRET MISAPPROPRIATION**

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

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