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BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ICU MEDICAL, INC.,

Petitioner,

v.

RYMED TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,

Respondent.

Cancellation No. 92048656

Mark: NEUTRAL DISPLACEMENT  
Reg. No. 3337575

**RESPONSE TO MAY 13, 2009 ORDER FROM BOARD REQUESTING STATUS OF  
CIVIL LITIGATION PROCEEDINGS**

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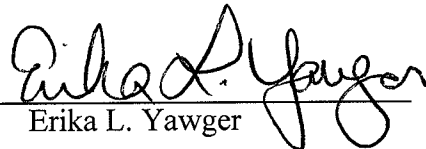
In response to the inquiry of Rochelle Ricks, Paralegal Specialist, mailed May 13, 2009, Petitioner ICU Medical, Inc. ("Petitioner") responds as follows:

The civil litigation upon which the Board based its suspension of these proceedings, *RyMed Technologies, Inc. v. ICU Medical, Inc.*, Case No. SA CV-07 1199 (DOC), is still pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California. On April 22, 2009, the Court issued an order, attached hereto, granting Petitioner's motion for summary judgment on the trademark claims, holding that the "NEUTRAL DISPLACEMENT" mark at issue in this cancellation proceeding is generic and not entitled to any trademark protection.

The civil litigation is still pending due to other causes of action at issue in the case, and the time for final appeals has not yet passed. Petitioner will promptly notify the Board within twenty (20) days of final determination of the California action. In the interim, please advise if any additional information concerning the progress of the California action is required.

Dated: June 11, 2009

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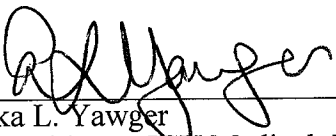
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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**RyMed Technologies, Inc.,**  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
**ICU Medical, Inc.,**  
Defendant.

Case No. 8:07-CV-1199 MRP (VBKx)

**ORDER GRANTING ICU MEDICAL,  
INC.’S MOTION FOR PARTIAL  
SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

**I. Background**

A. Procedural History

ICU Medical, Inc. (“ICU”) brought suit against Rymed Technologies, Inc. (“Rymed”) for patent infringement in the District of Delaware on July 27, 2007. Rymed then filed this suit in the Central District of California on October 10, 2007 for declaratory judgment of non-infringement and patent invalidity, together with state and federal trademark and related claims.<sup>1</sup> The patent claims were transferred

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<sup>1</sup> Rymed’s claims include federal claims under the Lanham Act: trademark infringement (15 U.S.C. § 1114), false designation of origin, and unfair competition (§ 1125(a)); claims under California law: unfair competition (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200, 17500); common law passing off and unfair competition; intentional interference with contract; and intentional interference

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