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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

In the Matter of

POLYPORE INTERNATIONAL, INC., Respondent.

Docket No. 9327

ORDER ON MOTION TO RESCHEDULE HEARING DATE

On October 1, 2008, Respondent Polypore International, Inc. ("Polypore," "Daramic" or "Respondent"), filed a Motion to Reschedule Hearing Date. The Complaint in this matter stated that the hearing on the Complaint would be begin on December 9, 2008, or other such date as determined by the Administrative Law Judge. Respondent asserts that to begin the hearing only eighty-four days after service of the Complaint is manifestly unjust and would deprive Respondent of a reasonable opportunity to prepare its defense. Respondent requests that the hearing begin on May 18, 2009.

While it is true that December 9, 2008 does not allow sufficient time for the parties to prepare for the administrative trial in this case, the Initial Decision is required to be issued within one year of the date of the Complaint. Accordingly, on October 3, 2008, the Office of Administrative Law Judges provided the parties with a draft scheduling order in advance of the Initial Prehearing Conference. The draft scheduling order sets April 14, 2009 as the date on which the hearing in this matter will commence.

On October 3, 2008, Complaint Counsel filed its response to Respondent's motion. Complaint Counsel represents it has no objection to the April 14, 2009 trial date.

Respondent's motion to reschedule the hearing date is GRANTED in part and DENIED in part. The administrative trial will not begin on December 9, 2008; it will begin on April 14, 2009.

ORDERED:

D. Michael Chappell

Administrative Law Judge

Date: October 7, 2008