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

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In the Matter of)
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POLYPORE INTERNATIONAL, INC.,)
Respondent.)
_____)

Docket No. 9327

**CERTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE INITIAL DECISION**

Rule 3.51(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice states that an Initial Decision shall be filed "within ninety (90) days after closing the hearing record pursuant to § 3.44(c) . . . or within such further time as the Commission may by order allow upon written request from the Administrative Law Judge." 16 C.F.R. § 3.51(a). Pursuant to Commission Rule 3.44(c), the hearing record was closed on June 22, 2009. Ninety days from the close of the record will be September 21, 2009. For the reasons set forth below, pursuant to Rule 3.51(a), the undersigned seeks an extension of sixty days, until November 20, 2009, to file the Initial Decision in this case.

Rule 3.51(a) also states that an Initial Decision shall be filed within one year "after the issuance of the administrative complaint, except that the Administrative Law Judge may, upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances, extend the one-year deadline for a period of up to sixty (60) days." 16 C.F.R. § 3.51(a). The Complaint in this matter was issued on September 9, 2008. One year from the issuance of the Complaint is September 9, 2009. By separate order, that deadline will be extended by the Administrative Law Judge.

The trial in this matter commenced on May 12, 2009 and concluded on June 12, 2009. Closing arguments were heard on August 20, 2009. Over 2,100 exhibits were admitted, 35 witnesses testified, either live or by deposition, and there are 5,590 pages of trial transcript. The parties' proposed findings of fact, replies to proposed findings of fact, post trial briefs, and reply briefs total 2,329 pages. The parties' final post trial briefs were filed on July 31, 2009.

The Initial Decision in *In re Daniel Chapter One*, Docket 9329, was issued on August 5, 2009. The Initial Decision in *In re Gemtronics, Inc.*, Docket 9330, will be issued no later than September 16, 2009.

The extensive record in this case must be thoroughly reviewed. Additional time is necessary to properly develop the findings of fact and legal analysis. Accordingly, the

Commission is requested to extend the time for filing the Initial Decision by sixty days, to November 20, 2009.

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D. Michael Chappell
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: September 2, 2009