UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

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MSC.SOFTWARE CORPORATION, a corporation. Docket No. 9299

RESPONDENT MSC.SOFTWARE CORPORATION'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to Section 3.31 (c)(1) and (d) of the Federal Trade Commission's Rules of Practice, 16 C.F. R. § 3.31 (c)(1)(d), MSC. Software ("MSC") hereby moves for a protective order precluding Complaint Counsel from taking the depositions of six MSC senior executives.² These depositions

The frequency or extent of the use of the discovery methods otherwise permitted under these rules shall be limited by the Administrative Law Judge if he determines that: (i) [the] discovery sought is unreasonably cumulative or duplicative, or is obtainable from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome, or less expensive; (ii) [t]he party seeking the discovery has had ample opportunity by discovery in the action to obtain the information sought, or (iii) [t]he burden and expense of the proposed discovery outweigh its likely benefit.

Rule of Practice § 3.31(d) further states:

The Administrative Law Judge may deny discovery or make any order which justice requires to protect a party or other person from annoyance, embarrassment, oppression, or undue burden or expense, or to prevent undue delay in the proceeding.

Lou Greco, Chief Financial Officer, May 2, 2002
 Rick Murphy, Senior Vice President, World Sales, May 7, 2002

(continued...)

¹ Commission's Rules of Practice § 3.31(c)(1) states:

are duplicative, burdensome, oppressive, and expensive, and Complaint Counsel has had ample opportunity to schedule them at an earlier time.

On April 26, 2002, MSC noticed, with the exception of Lou Greco, multiple day depositions of six people, four of whom have already been questioned by Complaint Counsel under oath, and two executives who are not on MSC's witness list. At the hearing Your Honor noted that "no one's resources are infinite." For the reasons described below, these depositions, under the conditions imposed by Complaint Counsel, would tax MSC's resources in both executive time and money.

Complaint Counsel has already taken 14 depositions and six investigational hearings of MSC personnel in this matter. Complaint Counsel has sought and received approximately 280 boxes of documents from 133 people at MSC, and MSC, at great cost, is in the process of producing electronic discovery and e-mail from 43 people. Complaint Counsel has issued 150 interrogatories to MSC (including subparts). In addition, Complaint Counsel has talked to 46 third parties; subpoenaed at least 38 of them; and has taken the sworn testimony of 33 people. Complaint Counsel has filed expert reports that quote extensively from the depositions, investigational hearings, and voluminous documents submitted in this matter. At this point, any information Complaint Counsel could obtain from this last round of witnesses would, by definition, have to be cumulative. It is not clear why these depositions are necessary; and, therefore, they can only serve to impose unfair expense and burden on MSC.

² (...continued)

Ron Dyer, Senior Director, Aerospace Corporate Accounts, May 9, 2002 Ken Blakely, Executive Vice President, May 16, 2002 Jeff Morgan, Vice President, Software and Business, May 21, 2002 Frank Perna, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, May 23

Forcing MSC to produce these officials at this stage in the litigation and *for more than one day* is unduly burdensome, cumulative, and will be very expensive for MSC. Last week, the value of MSC's shares dropped by almost 40%. MSC has been forced to take steps to let go 15 percent of its work force. Key MSC people are leaving the company. For example, on Monday, an experienced Nastran developer announced that he was leaving to join Ansys to work on Al.Nastran. MSC is worried that others may follow. The senior officials that Complaint Counsel have noticed for deposition must be focused on MSC's business to keep it intact and insure its continued viability. This is a critical time for MSC: it must calm its investors and get a plan together to meet its earnings prediction for the next quarter. It would be extremely disruptive for these individuals to appear for several day depositions, particularly at the time demanded by Complaint Counsel.

These depositions are obviously not critical to Complaint Counsel's case. These individuals are, and have been, known to Complaint Counsel for some time -- Complaint Counsel has conducted investigational hearings of four of them well over a year ago; Complaint Counsel has met with Lou Greco; and Rick Murphy has held his sales position since the investigation's inception over two years ago. Complaint Counsel could have noticed these depositions several months ago when it noticed its first round of MSC employees for depositions or even two months ago when Complaint Counsel noticed its second round of depositions.

In addition, MSC and Complaint Counsel have substantial third-party discovery to complete and should not be sidetracked by this unreasonable, late demand for depositions by Complaint Counsel. Complaint Counsel has listed 24 witnesses, still including seven from Boeing, it expects will testify. Of these, only two have been deposed by MSC. MSC has also listed third-party witnesses

that Complaint Counsel has not yet deposed. With a discovery cut-off looming, MSC should be permitted to gather evidence to rebut Complaint Counsel's case, not waste time and money allowing Complaint Counsel the fourth bite of the apple. MSC will be severely prejudiced by this distraction and will not have an adequate time to prepare its defense.

For the reasons stated above, MSC respectfully requests that Your Honor grant this motion for a protective order precluding these depositions, or in the alternative, limit the scope and time for these depositions. We understand that Complaint Counsel is moving to compel MSC to make these witnesses available. If Complaint Counsel has convinced Your Honor that these depositions are necessary, we propose the following compromise: 1) the depositions be limited to MSC executives that will be called at trial; 2) they be held at the convenience of MSC, not Complaint Counsel; and 3) they be limited to one day. This would climinate the need for the depositions of Mr. Blakely and Mr. Dyer, who MSC does not intend to call as witnesses. Complaint Counsel has taken both gentlemen's sworn testimony and, while we understand that this does not prelude Complaint Counsel from taking a deposition now, it does remove any prejudice to Complaint Counsel. Moreover, limiting the remaining depositions to one day in duration -- again Complaint Counsel has already taken the deposition of Mr. Perna and Mr. Morgan – should not prejudice Complaint Counsel as they should certainly be able to focus their questions at this point in the case.

Finally, so these key executives can stabilize MSC's business, the depositions should take place at the . end of May.

Respectfully submitted,

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