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### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)	
	)	Docket No. 9327
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Polypore International, Inc.	)	
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# RESPONDENT'S RESPONSE TO ENERSYS' MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS

Respondent Polypore International, Inc. ("Polypore") submits its memorandum in response to EnerSys' ("EnerSys") Motion to Extend Time To Produce Documents. Respondent states as follows:

- 1. On November 7, 2008, EnerSys was served by Respondent with a subpoena *duces tecum* (the "Subpoena").
- 2. On December 16, 2008, EnerSys moved for an award of attorneys' fees and to limit the Subpoena.
- 3. EnerSys' Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees and Costs and to Limit Subpoena Served on Non-Party was contrary to an abundance of existing Federal Trade Commission ("Commission" of "FTC") authority on the issues raised therein and was without basis.
- 4. On December 24, 2008, Respondent filed a Memorandum in Opposition to EnerSys' Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees and Costs and to Limit Subpoena Served on Non-Party illustrating the deficiencies in EnerSys' argument to limit the Subpoena and recover its costs.

- 5. By Order dated January 15, 2009 ("January 15<sup>th</sup> Order"), this Court denied EnerSys' motion for an award of attorneys' fees and to limit the Subpoena and ordered EnerSys to produce all responsive documents within ten calendar days. The Court found that EnerSys was not entitled to its costs or fees, and that Respondent's Subpoena sought relevant information and was not overly broad or unduly burdensome.
- 6. Importantly, in the interim between December 16, 2008 when EnerSys moved for an award of attorneys' fees and to limit the Subpoena and the January 15<sup>th</sup> Order, EnerSys did not take any steps to review, or ready for production, the documents sought by Respondent's Subpoena. (*EnerSys' Motion to Extend Time to Produce Documents*, ¶ 12).
- 7. Instead, on January 20, 2009, EnerSys filed a Motion to Extend Time to Produce Documents in which it sought to extend, by ten days (through February 4, 2009), the deadline by which it must produce documents pursuant to Respondent's Subpoena.
- 8. Respondent cannot afford any further delay from EnerSys, as important deadlines are approaching.
- 9. The current discovery deadline, including fact-witness depositions, is February 13, 2009.
- 10. The deadline for Respondent's counsel to produce its expert reports is currently February 20, 2009.
- 11. The extension sought by EnerSys would be unfair and prejudicial to Respondent absent the Court granting Respondent's Motion to Amend the Scheduling Order which was filed on January 16, 2009.

- 12. The information Respondent seeks from EnerSys is needed not only for the deposition examinations of EnerSys' witnesses by Respondent's counsel, but is also needed so that Respondent's economist can formulate his opinions and create an expert report.
- 13. In fairness to Respondent and Respondent's economist, Respondent must be provided with EnerSys' documents in a timely manner. It would be manifestly unjust and prejudicial to Respondent for Respondent's economist to have to prepare his report in piecemeal fashion without access to documents or deposition testimony from EnerSys or to submit his report only to be forced to later supplement the report after EnerSys has produced documents and/or made its witnesses available for deposition. Respondent's economist should be permitted to formulate his opinions based upon a complete production from third parties, not from piecemeal productions provided after the deadline for submitting expert reports.
- 14. In light of the approaching discovery deadlines, it would also be unfair and prejudicial to Respondent if it could not proceed timely with its discovery. Pursuant to Joint Motion of Respondent and EnerSys for Leave of Court to Conduct Depositions of EnerSys and EnerSys Employees After the Discovery Deadline, depositions of EnerSys' witnesses must be completed within 14 days of the receipt by Respondent's counsel of the completed document production by EnerSys.
- 15. The extension EnerSys seeks would not require EnerSys' document production to be complete until the first week of February and would therefore further delay the depositions of EnerSys' witnesses. Such a delay will severally hinder Respondent's ability to comply with its deadlines (including the February 20, 2009 expert report deadline), will have a detrimental effect on the ability of Respondent's economist to conduct his work in an efficient and proper manner,

and will adversely effect Respondent's preparation of its defense for the trial scheduled for April 14, 2009.

WHEREFORE, Respondent respectfully requests that the Court deny EnerSys' Motion to Extend Time To Produce Documents.

Dated: January 23, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify that on January 23, 2009, I caused to be filed via hand delivery and electronic mail delivery an original and two copies of the foregoing this *Respondent's Response* to *EnerSys' Motion to Extend Time To Produce Documents*, and that the electronic copy is a true and correct copy of the paper original and that a paper copy with an original signature is being filed with:

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I hereby certify that on January 22, 2009, I caused to be served one copy via electronic mail delivery and two copies via overnight mail delivery of the foregoing *Respondent's Response to EnerSys' Motion to Extend Time To Produce Documents* upon:

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Dear Secretary Clark:

On behalf of Respondent Polypore International, Inc., I enclose for filing a paper original and two (2) copies of the following documents:

 Respondent's Response to EnerSys' Motion to Extend Time To Produce Documents

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