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27 28 Plaintiff PWP Industries ("PWP" or "Plaintiff") for its Complaint against Defendant Inline Plastics Corp. ("Inline Plastics" or "Defendant") alleges as follows:

#### I. THE PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff PWP is a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 3751 Seville Avenue, Vernon, California 90058.
- 2. On information and belief, Defendant Inline Plastics is a Connecticut corporation having its principal place of business at 42 Canal Street, Shelton, Connecticut 06484.
- 3. On information and belief, Defendant regularly conducts business within this Judicial District by shipping products into this Judicial District, and by maintaining sales and distribution facilities in this Judicial District.

### II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This is an action for declaratory judgment in a case of actual controversy between Plaintiff and Defendant arising under the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202, and the United States Patent Laws, 35 U.S.C. § 100, et seq.
- 5. There is an actual controversy within the jurisdiction of this Court concerning Plaintiff's liability for the alleged infringement of United States Letters Patent No. 7,118,003 ("the '003 patent"). This Court has subject matter over the claims for declaratory judgment pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).
  - 6. Defendant is subject to the personal jurisdiction of this Court.
- 7. Venue is proper in this Judicial District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)-(c).

# III. GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

8. Defendant claims to own rights in the '003 patent, entitled "Tamper Resistant Container with Tamper-Evident Feature and Method of Forming the

Same." A copy of the '003 patent is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

- 9. Defendant has alleged, and continues to allege, that PWP infringed the '003 patent by, among other things, selling and offering to sell certain plastic containers.
  - 10. Plaintiff disputes these allegations.
- 11. Thus, there exists an actual controversy between Defendant and Plaintiff concerning the alleged infringement of the '003 patent.

# IV. <u>CLAIM FOR RELIEF—DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF</u> NONINFRINGEMENT AND/OR INVALIDITY

- 12. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth in this complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 13. Plaintiff has not and does not infringe any valid claims of the '003 patent.
- 14. Plaintiff seeks a declaration from this Court that Plaintiff has not and does not infringe any valid claims of the '003 patent.

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for a declaration and judgment in its favor against Defendant for the following relief:

- A. For an Order declaring that Plaintiff has not, and does not, infringe the '003 patent;
  - B. For an Order declaring that the '003 patent is invalid;
- C. For an Order declaring this case exceptional pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, and awarding costs and attorneys' fees to Plaintiff;

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