

**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 EXTEND RESPONDENT'S TIME TO RESPOND TO
COMPLAINT AND TO SET DATE FOR INITIAL SCHEDULING CONFERENCE**

I.

On September 25, 2008, Respondent Polypore International, Inc. ("Polypore," "Daramic" or "Respondent"), filed a Motion to Extend Respondent's time to Respond to Complaint and Set Date for Initial Scheduling Conference. On the same date, Respondent also filed a Motion for More Definite Statement or In the Alternative, for an Order Requiring Clarification of the Allegations of and Related to Counts II and III of the Complaint. Complaint Counsel filed its Responses to both on September 30, 2008.

II.

Respondent seeks to extend the time to file its answer or otherwise respond to October 20, 2008. Respondent also asks that the initial scheduling conference be set for October 22 or 23, 2008. Complaint Counsel does not oppose the motion, so long as neither the commencement of discovery nor trial is delayed.

III.

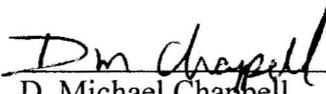
Under the Commission's Rules of Practice, Rule 3.12(a) requires that an answer be filed within twenty days of service of the Complaint. In this case, Respondent's answer would be due by October 6, 2008. However, under Rule 3.12(a)(1), if the respondent files a motion for more definitive statement and it is denied, the answer shall be filed within ten days after service of the order of denial or thirty days after service of the complaint, whichever is later, or by other date as set by the Administrative Law Judge.

By Order dated October 2, 2008, Respondent's motion for more definite statement was denied. Respondent shall file its answer by October 15, 2008.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 3.21(b) which requires a scheduling conference within fourteen days after the Answer is filed, the initial prehearing scheduling conference will be held on October 22, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 532, Federal Trade Commission Building, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C.

The parties are directed to meet before the prehearing scheduling conference and to comply with Commission Rule 3.21(a). The expected pretrial scheduling order will be provided to the parties. The parties are directed to jointly submit any proposed modifications to the Office of Administrative Law Judges by October 20, 2008, and to discuss any proposed modifications at the conference.

ORDERED:



D. Michael Chappell
Administrative Law Judge

Date: October 2, 2008