

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES**

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IN THE MATTER OF)	
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ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.,)	
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Respondent.)	Docket No. 9310
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JOINT MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF EXPERT DEADLINES

Complaint Counsel and Respondent Aspen Technology, Inc.’s (“AspenTech”) Counsel (the “Parties”) hereby respectfully request that three deadlines in the Second Revised Scheduling Order, dated March 8, 2004, relating to expert witnesses be extended. The three deadlines would be moved to the following dates:

Respondent’s Counsel provides expert witness reports:	April 23, 2004
Identify rebuttal expert(s) and provide rebuttal expert report(s):	May 7, 2004
Deadline for depositions of experts:	May 14, 2004

The Parties continue to work diligently in preparation for the upcoming hearing. Due to scheduling conflicts, however, the Parties agree that they would benefit from the requested extensions. The Parties are not requesting adjustments to any other deadline, including the commencement of the hearing.

For the reasons stated above, the Parties respectfully request the Court approve the revised expert deadlines.

Date: April 12, 2004

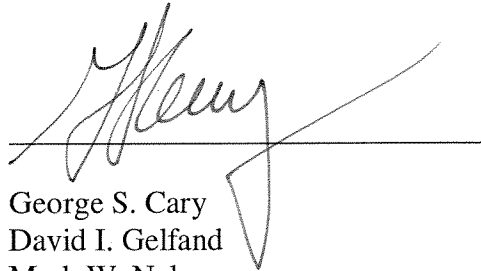
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**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION
FOR AN EXTENSION OF EXPERT DEADLINES**

Upon Joint Motion filed by Complaint Counsel and Respondent, it is HEREBY ORDERED that the following deadlines in the Second Revised Scheduling Order be revised as follows:

Respondent's Counsel provides expert witness reports:	April 23, 2004
Identify rebuttal expert(s) and provide rebuttal expert report(s):	May 7, 2004
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This limited extension will not affect any other deadline on the Second Revised Scheduling Order.

ORDERED:

Stephen J. McGuire
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date:

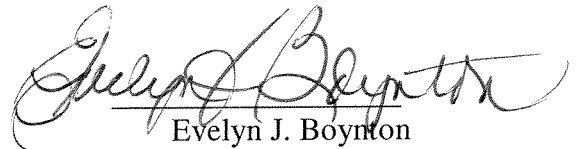
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Evelyn Boyton, hereby certify that on April 12, 2004, I caused a true and correct copy of the attached *Joint Motion For An Extension of Expert Deadlines* to be served upon the following persons by hand delivery:

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