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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

ASCEND CAPVENTURES INC., also doing business as Ascend Ecom LLC**,** *et al*.

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-07660-SPG(JPRx)

STIPULATION TO EXTEND TIME TO RESPOND TO INITIAL COMPLAINT BY NOT MORE THAN 30 DAYS (L.R. 8-3)

Complaint served: Sept. 16, 2024
Current response date: Oct. 7, 2024
New response date: Oct. 22, 2024

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Plaintiff Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Plaintiff") and Defendants Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Distribution LLC, and William Basta hereby stipulate as follows:

1. Plaintiff filed their Complaint on September 9, 2024 (ECF No. 1).
2. Summonses were issued on September 16, 2024 to all Defendants, except for Defendant Jeremy Leung (ECF No. 2).
3. Defendants Ascend Administration Inc. and Ascend Distribution LLC were served on September 16, 2024, making Defendants' response to the Complaint due October 7, 2024. (ECF Nos. 48, 52.)
4. Defendants Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Ecommerce Inc., and Ascend Capventures Inc. were served on September 18, 2024, making these Defendants' responses to the Complaint due October 9, 2024. (ECF Nos. 49, 50, 51.)
5. Defendants Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Distribution LLC, Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Ecommerce Inc. and Ascend Capventures Inc. are collectively referred to herein as the "Corporate Defendants."
6. Counsel, with consent of Defendant William Basta, agreed to accept service of process on his behalf on October 1, 2024, making the deadline for his response to the Complaint October 22, 2024.
7. The Parties have agreed to extend time for the Corporate Defendants to respond to the Complaint by not more than fifteen (15) days, to October 22, 2024.
8. This is the first stipulation or request for an extension of time filed by the Corporate Defendants.
9. Pursuant to Local Rule 8-3, this stipulation is permitted to be filed and shall be effective without approval or order of the Court.

WHEREFORE, the Parties, by and through their undersigned counsel, jointly

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stipulate and agree that the deadline for the Corporate Defendants to respond to the Complaint shall be extended to October 22, 2024.

DATED: October 7, 2024

/s/ Virginia Sanderson
Virginia Sanderson
Attorneys for Defendants

DATED: October 7, 2024

/s/ Jody Goodman
Jody Goodman
Attorneys for FTC

ATTESTATION

The undersigned attests, pursuant to Civil L.R. 5-4.3.4(a)(2)(i), that concurrence in the filing of the document has been obtained from the other signatories to this document.

DATED: October 7, 2024

/s/ Virginia Sanderson
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