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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

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9 S.G.D. Engineering Limited,  
10 Plaintiff,

No. CV-11-02493-PHX-DGC

**ORDER**

11 v.

12 Lockheed Martin Corporation Incorporated,  
13 Defendant.

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15 Plaintiff has filed a motion for summary judgment. Doc. 109. The motion is fully  
16 briefed. For the following reasons, the Court will grant in part and deny in part Plaintiff's  
17 motion.<sup>1</sup>

18 **I. Background Facts.**

19 Toshiba contracted with the Japanese Ministry of Defense ("JMOD") to provide  
20 components for F-15 fighter jets. On August 31, 2007, Toshiba entered into a contract  
21 ("Prime Contract") with Defendant Lockheed Martin Corporation, Inc. to design and  
22 build a Synthetic Aperture Radar Reconnaissance Pod ("SRP"). The SRP was designed  
23 to attach externally to the belly of an F-15 airplane and provide target and intelligence  
24 imagery. The Prime Contract provides for liquidated damages measured at a rate of \$1  
25 per \$1,000 of the value of undelivered items for each full day that delivery is delayed.

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28 <sup>1</sup> The request for oral argument is denied because the issues have been fully  
briefed and oral argument will not aid the Court's decision. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 78(b);  
*Partridge v. Reich*, 141 F.3d 920, 926 (9th Cir. 1998).

1 Liquidated damages are capped at five percent of the value of the undelivered items. In  
2 addition, Defendant can be liable for liquidated damages only to the extent Toshiba is  
3 assessed liquidated damages or price reductions by JMOD.

4 Defendant solicited bids from pod manufacturers, including Plaintiff S.G.D.  
5 Engineering, Ltd. Defendant did not include a liquidated damages clause in the bid  
6 request or the subcontract. Plaintiff won the subcontract. The parties agreed on a price  
7 of \$5,870,680 for Plaintiff's services, which would be paid in increments upon the  
8 completion of "milestones" identified in the statement of work ("SOW"). The  
9 subcontract required Plaintiff, among other things, to design, manufacture, acceptance  
10 test, and deliver a pod, and to submit extensive engineering reports for review by  
11 Defendant. A milestone would be deemed complete only when all deliverables and  
12 efforts specified in the SOW were delivered, accepted, verified, and approved by  
13 Defendant. Defendant reserved the right to terminate the subcontract for default or  
14 convenience. In the case of a termination for default, Defendant was required to  
15 compensate Plaintiff for work actually delivered and accepted. All performance on the  
16 contract was due on May 8, 2009.

17 In March 2008, Defendant notified Plaintiff that Boeing would conduct a  
18 functional flight test ("BFFT") to determine whether the SRP was operational and to  
19 gauge its capabilities. Plaintiff submitted the necessary materials to Boeing. Boeing  
20 complained that there were significant deficiencies in the engineering reports submitted  
21 by Plaintiff, which delayed the BFFT and resulted in significant expenses for Defendant.  
22 Boeing did not approve the SRP for flight and did not conduct the BFFT until August  
23 2010.

24 The parties modified the subcontract to permit delivery of the SRP in October  
25 2009. Plaintiff delivered the SRP in October 2009, but the SRP was damaged during  
26 shipment. Defendant contends that Plaintiff provided grossly deficient engineering  
27 reports to accompany the SRP. Defendant asserts that the deficiencies represented a  
28 breach of the subcontract which delayed Defendant's ability to satisfy its obligations

1 under the Prime Contract. Plaintiff asserts that other delays unrelated to Plaintiff's  
2 performance accounted for Defendant's inability to fulfill its obligations under the Prime  
3 Contract. The SRP was eventually shipped to Toshiba in September 2010.

4 After shipping the SRP, Plaintiff submitted invoices for the final three milestones  
5 of the subcontract. Defendant rejected the invoices, claiming that Plaintiff had not  
6 fulfilled its obligations under the milestones. The parties met in Goodyear, Arizona in  
7 November 2010 and reached an agreement to resolve the dispute and clarify what work  
8 Plaintiff needed to complete in order to be paid under the milestones. Plaintiff asserts  
9 that Defendant entered into the November 2010 agreement in bad faith because  
10 Defendant intended to induce Plaintiff to perform more work without paying. Defendant  
11 counters that Plaintiff simply failed to meet the deadlines established in the November  
12 2010 agreement.

13 In February 2011, JMOD terminated its contract with Toshiba due to delay.  
14 Toshiba did not cancel the Prime Contract, however, because it still hoped to sell the SRP  
15 to JMOD. Toshiba and Defendant identified a list of items that Defendant needed to  
16 perform to qualify for payment under the Prime Contract. Defendant therefore continued  
17 work with Plaintiff to reach remaining subcontract milestones. Plaintiff submitted its  
18 final engineering reports and drawings in June 2011. Defendant asserts that these reports  
19 were still deficient. In fact, Defendant alleges that it was so skeptical about the integrity  
20 of the data and quality of the calculations made by Plaintiff that Defendant hired a third-  
21 party to analyze the materials. The third-party indicated that the SRP's properties as  
22 found and reported by Plaintiff were not substantiated by test data. On September 15,  
23 2011, Defendant terminated Plaintiff for default and refused to pay Plaintiff for the  
24 remaining milestones, asserting that Plaintiff still had not fully performed under the  
25 subcontract. Despite terminating Plaintiff for default, Defendant has represented to  
26 Toshiba that it is entitled to payment under the Prime Contract because the Prime  
27 Contract is complete subject to "final update."

28 Plaintiff asserts claims for breach of contract and breach of the duty of good faith

1 and fair dealing. Plaintiff has been paid for all but three of the subcontract milestones,  
2 leaving an unpaid balance of \$753,900. Defendant has counterclaimed for approximately  
3 \$73 million in damages. These damages include the full price of the Prime Contract,  
4 liquidated damages under the Prime Contract, Boeing charges assessed to Toshiba, lost  
5 profits, and miscellaneous expenses incurred as a result of Plaintiff's alleged failures.

## 6 **II. Legal Standard.**

7 A party seeking summary judgment "bears the initial responsibility of informing  
8 the district court of the basis for its motion, and identifying those portions of [the record]  
9 which it believes demonstrate the absence of a genuine issue of material fact." *Celotex*  
10 *Corp. v. Catrett*, 477 U.S. 317, 323 (1986). Summary judgment is appropriate if the  
11 evidence, viewed in the light most favorable to the nonmoving party, shows "that there is  
12 no genuine dispute as to any material fact and the movant is entitled to judgment as a  
13 matter of law." Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(a). Only disputes over facts that might affect the  
14 outcome of the suit will preclude the entry of summary judgment, and the disputed  
15 evidence must be "such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the nonmoving  
16 party." *Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc.*, 477 U.S. 242, 248 (1986).

## 17 **III. Analysis.**

### 18 **A. Defendant's Motion to Supplement its Response.**

19 Plaintiff asserts that the evidence Defendant has offered to oppose summary  
20 judgment is inadmissible and may not be considered. Doc. 130 at 1; *Orr v. Bank of Am.,*  
21 *NT & SA*, 285 F.3d 764, 773 (9th Cir. 2002) (holding that a court may consider only  
22 admissible evidence in ruling on a motion for summary judgment). Defendant has moved  
23 to supplement its response and statement of facts. Doc. 133. The Court will grant  
24 Defendant's motion. The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure are "to be liberally construed  
25 to effectuate the general purpose of seeing that cases are tried on the merits." *Rodgers v.*  
26 *Watt*, 722 F.2d 456, 459 (9th Cir. 1983). When a party fails to support an assertion of  
27 fact or fails properly to address another party's assertion of fact as required by  
28 Rule 56(c), a court may afford an opportunity to support or address the fact. Fed. R. Civ.

1 P. 56(e)(1). Defendant does not seek to introduce new facts or make new arguments in  
2 its supplement. Instead, it presents previously proffered facts in a form that can be  
3 considered on a motion for summary judgment.

4 Plaintiff requests leave to make additional evidentiary objections to Defendant's  
5 supplement. Doc. 135 at 2. The Court does not require additional briefing.

6 **B. Rule 30(b)(6) Deponents.**

7 On November 12, 2012, Plaintiff served a notice of deposition pursuant to  
8 Rule 30(b)(6). Topic 58 identified in the notice required Defendant to designate a  
9 witness to testify regarding Plaintiff's alleged deficient performance under the November  
10 2010 agreement. On December 10, 2012, Defendant designated Eric Marx as its  
11 deponent for topic 58. At the deposition, however, Mr. Marx testified that he did not  
12 know about Plaintiff's deficient performance, had not performed any research, and did  
13 not interview any other employees to prepare. Subsequently, Defendant gave notice to  
14 Plaintiff regarding the designation of two witnesses, Clifford Middleton and George  
15 Locke, who could testify about topic 58. Plaintiff subsequently deposed Mr. Middleton  
16 and Mr. Locke.

17 Relying on *Rainey v. American Forest & Paper Ass'n, Inc.*, 26 F.Supp.2d 82  
18 (D.D.C. 1998), Plaintiff argues that Defendant should be barred from relying on the  
19 depositions of Mr. Middleton and Mr. Lock. Doc. 130 at 5. In *Rainey*, the court refused  
20 to consider information contained in an affidavit that was introduced for the first time in  
21 opposition to summary judgment. The information differed drastically from testimony  
22 provided by the 30(b)(6) deponents who had testified on behalf of the defendant. Here,  
23 Defendant designated substitute deponents on topic 58 after it became apparent that the  
24 Marx deposition was unsatisfactory. Plaintiff deposed the witnesses, and did not seek to  
25 recover fees for the additional depositions. The merits relief it seeks is unwarranted  
26 where Defendant provided substitute deponents.

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1           **C. Summary Judgment.**

2                   **1. Breach of Contract and Covenant of Good Faith.**

3           Under Arizona law, “[i]nterpretation of a contract is a question of law for the court  
4 where the terms of a contract are found to be plain and unambiguous.” *Chandler Med.*  
5 *Bldg. Partners v. Chandler Dental Grp.*, 855 P.2d 787, 791 (Ariz. Ct. App. 1993).  
6 Arizona law has adopted the concept of “substantial performance.” *See SC34 v. Desert*  
7 *Mountain Master Ass’n*, No. 1 CA-CV 11-0240, 2013 WL 1174135, at \*11 (Ariz. Ct.  
8 App. March 21, 2013); Revised Arizona Jury Instruction (Civil), Contract 10, Substantial  
9 Performance. A party is entitled to relief if it has substantially performed the contract.  
10 *See* Restatement (Second) of Contracts § 237 cmt. d (1981). If the contract makes full  
11 performance a condition, however, substantial performance is not sufficient and a party  
12 who has substantially but not fully performed is not entitled to relief. *Id.*

13           Arizona law implies a duty of good faith and fair dealing in every contract to  
14 assure that “neither party will act to impair the right of the other to receive benefits which  
15 flow from” their contractual relationship. *Rawlings v. Apodaca*, 726 P.2d 565, 569-70  
16 (Ariz. 1986). The duty prohibits “[a] variety of types of conduct characterized as  
17 involving ‘bad faith’ because they violate community standards of decency, fairness or  
18 reasonableness.” Restatement (Second) of Contracts § 205 cmt. a (1981). “[B]ecause a  
19 party may be injured when the other party to a contract manipulates bargaining power to  
20 its own advantage, a party may nevertheless breach its duty of good faith without actually  
21 breaching an express covenant in the contract.” *Wells Fargo Bank v. Ariz. Laborers,*  
22 *Teamsters and Cement Masons Local No. 395 Pension Trust Fund*, 38 P.3d 12, 30 (Ariz.  
23 2002). The duty of good faith and fair dealing “preserve[s] the spirit of the bargain rather  
24 than the letter and guarantees the protection of the parties’ reasonable expectations, such  
25 being the basic purpose of contract law.” *Bike Fashion Corp. v. Kramer*, 46 P.3d 431,  
26 434 (Ariz. Ct. App. 2002) (quotation omitted). The duty to act in good faith does not,  
27 however, “alter the specific obligations of the parties under the contract. . . . Acts in  
28 accord with the terms of one’s contract cannot *without more* be equated with bad faith.”

1 *Wells Fargo Bank*, 38 P.3d at 30 (emphasis in original; quotation omitted).

2 Applying Arizona law, and viewing the evidence in the light most favorable to  
3 Defendant, the Court concludes that Defendant has presented a genuine issue of material  
4 fact on Plaintiff's claims for breach of contract and breach of the duty of good faith and  
5 fair dealing.

6 The subcontract grants Defendant significant discretion to modify material  
7 portions of the agreement. For example, subsection 4(a) permits Defendant to make  
8 changes within the general scope of the contract to "(i) drawings, design, or  
9 specifications; (ii) method of shipping or packing; (iii) place of inspection, acceptance, or  
10 point of delivery; and (iv) delivery schedule." Doc. 110-2 at 10. Defendant also reserved  
11 the right to direct and coordinate Plaintiff's performance under the subcontract with other  
12 efforts in Defendant's larger effort to perform the Prime Contract, undoubtedly because  
13 any deficiencies or delays in Plaintiff's performance could jeopardize Defendant's  
14 performance of the Prime Contract. The subcontract states that "[Plaintiff] shall be  
15 compensated only for work actually delivered and accepted." Doc. 110-2 at 11. The  
16 subcontract also provides that "[i]f [Plaintiff] delivers non-conforming [w]ork,  
17 [Defendant] may; (i) accept all or part of such [w]ork at an equitable price reduction;  
18 (ii) reject such [w]ork; or (iii) make, or have a third party make, all repairs,  
19 modifications, or replacements necessary to enable such [w]ork to comply in all respects  
20 with [c]ontract requirements and charge the cost incurred to [Plaintiff]." The Court  
21 construes these provisions as an election out of the substantial performance standard  
22 available under Arizona law.

23 Defendant sent Plaintiff a letter on September 6, 2011, informing Plaintiff that it  
24 would not be paid for the final three milestones. On September 15, 2011, Defendant sent  
25 another letter officially terminating the subcontract for default. Defendant has proffered  
26 evidence in the form of business records, meeting minutes, and deposition testimony  
27 from which a reasonable jury could conclude that Plaintiff is not entitled to payment  
28 because delivery was not accepted. Defendant's evidence, if believed, also suggests that

1 Defendant terminated the subcontract in good faith because Plaintiff repeatedly failed to  
2 provide acceptable engineering reports required to substantiate claims about the SRP and  
3 entitle Plaintiff to payment under the final three milestones.

4 The Court's conclusion is driven in part by its disagreement with Plaintiff as to  
5 what "accept" means in the context of this contract. Plaintiff seems to argue that  
6 Defendant's receipt of the final engineering reports along with continuing physical  
7 custody over the reports constitutes acceptance. Doc. 130 at 4. But the subcontract  
8 expressly grants Defendant the ability to receive Plaintiff's engineering reports,  
9 determine whether they are deficient, and cure their deficiencies, all without "accepting"  
10 Plaintiff's performance. Plaintiff cites to the UCC in support of its interpretation of  
11 "acceptance," but the UCC refutes Plaintiff's interpretation. The UCC provides that  
12 acceptance of goods occurs when the buyer "signifies to the seller that the goods are  
13 conforming or that he will take and retain them in spite of their non-conformity," or "fails  
14 to make an effective rejection," or "does any act inconsistent with [Plaintiff]'s  
15 ownership" of the subject matter. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 47-2606. Defendant has presented  
16 evidence that Plaintiff delivered defective engineering reports and that Defendant made  
17 an effective rejection.

18 Plaintiff asserts that it is entitled to payment regardless of whether it fully or  
19 substantially performed the final three milestones. Doc. 109 at 11. Plaintiff cites  
20 subcontract language providing that Defendant must reimburse Plaintiff for "[w]ork in  
21 process up to and including the date of termination." Doc. 130 at 31; Doc. 110-2 at 17.  
22 This citation is inapposite, however, because the quoted language secures Plaintiff's right  
23 to remuneration only where Defendant terminates the subcontract for convenience.  
24 Defendant asserts that the subcontract was terminated for default, and has provided  
25 evidence to support its assertion.

26 Plaintiff argues that "[i]f [Defendant's] interpretation of the [s]ubcontract and  
27 applicable contract law were correct, [Defendant] could terminate every subcontractor  
28 after reaching 99.9% completion without ever making a payment for the services



1 provided.” Doc. 130 at 5. But Plaintiff assented to subcontract terms that imposed  
2 exacting standards of quality on Plaintiff’s performance. The Court’s role is not to  
3 rewrite the parties’ agreement. So long as Defendant implemented the termination clause  
4 correctly and in good faith, the Court must enforce it. As mentioned above, Defendant  
5 has proffered evidence that would permit a rational jury to find that Plaintiff was in  
6 default when Defendant invoked the termination clause. Defendant’s valid exercise of its  
7 contractual rights is not a breach of the contract or the duty of good faith and fair dealing  
8 even if that decision imposes harsh consequences on Plaintiff.<sup>2</sup>

9 Plaintiff argues that Defendant’s representation to Toshiba that the Prime Contract  
10 is complete subject to “final update” is logically inconsistent with Defendant’s contention  
11 that Plaintiff has not adequately performed the subcontract. Doc. 109 at 9; Doc. 130 at 4.  
12 This is a good jury argument. Because the subcontract entailed only a portion of the total  
13 work due under the Prime Contract, however, a jury might conclude that the Prime  
14 Contract was substantially performed even though the subcontract was not performed  
15 completely. Defendant has submitted evidence that the Prime Contract was “complete  
16 subject to final update” precisely because Plaintiff failed to properly perform the  
17 subcontract.

## 18 **2. Damages.**

19 A party claiming breach must prove damages resulting from the breach.  
20 *Chartone, Inc. v. Bernini*, 83 P.3d 1103, 1111 (Ariz. Ct. App. 2004). Compensatory  
21 damages, which arise directly from the breach itself, are recoverable as a matter of  
22 course. So too are consequential damages, which are reasonably foreseeable  
23 consequences of breach less mitigated costs. *See* Restatement (Second) of Contracts

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25 <sup>2</sup> The subcontract does provide that “[Defendant] may require [Plaintiff] to deliver  
26 to [Defendant] any supplies and materials, manufacturing materials, and manufacturing  
27 drawings that [Plaintiff] has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion  
28 of this Contract. [Defendant] and [Plaintiff] shall agree on the amount of payment for  
these other deliverables.” Doc. 110-2 at 11. The subcontract thus appears to impose an  
obligation on Defendant and Plaintiff to agree on a price for the engineering reports  
notwithstanding their deficiencies when the contract is terminated for default. Plaintiff  
makes no argument that this provision has been breached.

1 § 347 (1981); *E-Z Livin' Mobile Homes, Inc. v. Tommaney*, 550 P.2d 658, 662 (Ariz. Ct.  
2 App. 1976). “[C]ertainty in amount of damages is not essential to recovery when the *fact*  
3 of damage is proven.” *Gilmore v. Cohen*, 386 P.2d 81, 82 (Ariz. 1963) (emphasis in  
4 original; quotation omitted). The party claiming damages “should supply some  
5 reasonable basis for computing the amount of damage and must do so with precision as,  
6 from the nature of his claim and the available evidence, is possible.” *Walter v. Simmons*,  
7 818 P.2d 214, 221 (Ariz. Ct. App. 1991).

8 As damages for its counterclaim, Defendant claims: (1) \$1,340,244.50 in pass-  
9 through liquidated damages stemming from Plaintiff’s delay, which caused Defendant to  
10 breach the Prime Contract; (2) \$640,177 in charges to Toshiba, passed through to  
11 Defendant, that were billed by Boeing engineers to correct the inadequate models and  
12 reports submitted by Plaintiff; (3) \$1,429,518 for other costs incurred as a result of  
13 Plaintiff’s failures that were billed by Boeing to Toshiba and passed through to  
14 Defendant; (4) \$30 million in lost profits stemming from JMOD’s termination of the  
15 contract with Toshiba; (5) \$1,429,518.90 in expenses arising from Plaintiff’s delays  
16 relating to the BFFT; (6) \$938,089 in expenses incurred in connection with the November  
17 2010 meeting; (7) \$511,734 in expenses incurred internally to rectify errors in  
18 engineering reports submitted by Plaintiff; (8) \$13,310 stemming from a faulty heat  
19 exchanger on the SRP; (9) \$33,046 in expenses to travel to Israel; and (10) \$26,092 in  
20 damages suffered by the SRP during shipment.

21 **a. Liquidated Damages.**

22 Defendant has produced evidence that liquidated damages might be assessed  
23 against Defendant by Toshiba in the future. In addition, Toshiba has withheld  
24 \$2,596,000 in payments due to Defendant under the Prime Contract. Defendant asserts  
25 that it may recover the liquidated damages against Plaintiff because they stem from  
26 Plaintiff’s default.

27 Plaintiff contends that the liquidated damages cannot be recovered in this action  
28 for three reasons, but the Court need only address the first. Plaintiff argues that the

1 damages are speculative. Because it is uncertain whether Defendant will ever be held  
2 liable to Toshiba for liquidated damages, Plaintiff asserts that Defendant may not  
3 preemptively pass the liquidated damages through to Plaintiff. Defendant responds that  
4 Toshiba has assessed liquidated damages against Defendant in the amount of  
5 \$1,340,244.50 and has withheld payment of \$2,596,000 still due under the Prime  
6 Contract to cover these liquidated damages and other damages.

7 The Court concludes that Defendant's claim for liquidated damages is speculative.  
8 Defendant makes clear that it is not assessing liquidated damages against Plaintiff – it has  
9 no right to do so under the subcontract – but instead is making a claim for consequential  
10 damages arising out of its expected payment of liquidated damages to Toshiba. In  
11 support of this claim, Defendant provides two letters it received from Toshiba. Doc. 122-  
12 6, Ex. CC, DD. Although Defendant states that Toshiba has “assessed” liquidated  
13 damages against it, the letters describe the liquidated damages as a “claim.” *Id.* Toshiba  
14 states in the letters that it expects to be assessed liquidated damages by JMOD in the  
15 future, and notes that the amount of its claim may need to be recalculated “based on the  
16 actual rate of the Liquidated Damages . . . assessed to Toshiba.” Doc. 122-6, Ex. DD.  
17 The letters thus make clear that Toshiba has not been assessed and has not paid liquidated  
18 damages, and is merely making a claim against Defendant in the expectation that JMOD  
19 will seek liquidated damages at some future point. Likewise, Defendant has not been  
20 assessed and has not paid liquidated damages, and is merely making a claim in this case  
21 in the expectation that it will pay liquidated damages to Toshiba in the future. Until it  
22 actually pays such damages, Defendant's claim clearly is speculative.

23 Defendant suggests that it has in fact paid such damages because Toshiba has  
24 withheld more than \$2 million in payments to Defendant, but Defendant admits that  
25 Toshiba's claim against Defendant exceeds the amount it has withheld. As a result, there  
26 currently is no way to determine whether Defendant ultimately will pay liquidated  
27 damages and, if so, the amount. Nor has Defendant presented evidence that the claimed  
28 liquidated damages would be entirely attributable to Plaintiff. Because Defendant cannot

1 recover speculative damages, the Court will enter summary judgment on the liquidated  
2 damages claim.

3 **b. Boeing Charges.**

4 Defendant asserts that because Plaintiff consistently failed to submit adequate  
5 models and reports, Boeing engineers were required to correct Plaintiff's submitted  
6 models, complete calculations, and perform other work necessary to obtain approval from  
7 Boeing's certification board to permit the SRP to be used in the BFFT. Boeing charged  
8 Toshiba \$640,177 for this additional, unanticipated work. Toshiba in turn claimed  
9 \$640,177 in damages against Defendant. Doc. 122-6, Ex. DD. Boeing also charged  
10 Toshiba \$1,429,518.90 for similar efforts related to the BFFT, and Toshiba claimed these  
11 costs from Defendant because they related to deficient performance of the Prime  
12 Contract. *Id.* The only evidence produced by Defendant to substantiate damages  
13 stemming from the Boeing charges is an email dated February 3, 2011, sent from a  
14 Toshiba employee. *Id.* Even assuming this email could survive a hearsay objection  
15 because it would be admissible under Federal Rule of Evidence 803(6) (*see* Doc. 133-1 at  
16 5), the email states that Toshiba is merely claiming the Boeing charges as damages and  
17 requests that Defendant "come to Japan and hold a face-to-face discussion in February  
18 2011 to settle these damages." *Id.* Defendant has not provided any evidence describing  
19 the February 2011 settlement discussions, and has failed to demonstrate that these  
20 damages actually were assessed by Toshiba or paid by Defendant. Because the evidence  
21 produced by Defendant would not be sufficient for a reasonable jury to conclude that the  
22 Boeing charges have been paid by Defendant, the Court will grant Plaintiff summary  
23 judgment on the counterclaim for the Boeing charges. *Anderson*, 477 U.S. at 248.

24 **c. Lost Profits.**

25 Defendant asserts a \$30 million claim for lost profits stemming from JMOD's  
26 termination of its contract with Toshiba. A party claiming lost profits must establish the  
27 lost profits with "reasonable certainty." *See Felder v. Physiotherapy Assocs.*, 158 P.3d  
28 877, 887 (Ariz. Ct. App. 2007). "[W]here it can be proven that profits were lost, doubts

1 as to the extent of the injury should be resolved in favor of the innocent [party] and  
2 against the wrongdoer.” *Id.* (quotation omitted).

3 Viewing the evidence in the light most favorable to Defendant, the Court  
4 concludes that Defendant has not submitted enough evidence to support its claim for lost  
5 profits. Defendant relies on testimony given by Gregg Johnson, one of its Rule 30(b)(6)  
6 deponents. When asked why Defendant was entitled to damages for lost sales, Mr.  
7 Johnson responded: “Again, you know, in discussions with Toshiba, both Toshiba and  
8 Lockheed Martin believe that there was – in the – in the meetings that I had with them,  
9 they stated up to five additional systems were – were in the plan, and they even showed  
10 us – or discussed with us the budget cycle on when those systems might be phased in.”  
11 Doc. 122-5 at 59. Even if Mr. Johnson could provide the same testimony at trial that he  
12 provided in the deposition, statements he attributes to Toshiba are inadmissible hearsay –  
13 out-of-court statements offered for the truth of the matter asserted. Defendant also cites  
14 one agenda line from minutes of a 2010 meeting between Defendant and Toshiba which  
15 makes reference to “future pods.” Doc. 122-5 at 62.

16 Aside from this inadmissible hearsay and a passing reference to future pods,  
17 Defendant provides no evidence to support its claim for lost profits. Defendant has  
18 produced no communications or commitment by JMOD or Toshiba concerning the need  
19 for future pods or indicating that Defendant would be the source of such pods. This  
20 evidence, which supports at most a weak expectation by Defendant that future work  
21 might be available, does not rise to the level of “reasonable certainty” required to recover  
22 lost profits. *Felder*, 158 P.3d at 887. Because the evidence produced by Defendant  
23 would not be sufficient for a reasonable jury to conclude that lost profits have been  
24 proven with reasonable certainty, the Court will grant Plaintiff summary judgment on the  
25 counterclaim for lost profits. *Anderson*, 477 U.S. at 248.

26 **d. Miscellaneous Internal Expenses.**

27 Defendant has counterclaimed for a variety of miscellaneous internal expenses,  
28 including: (1) \$1,429,518.90 relating to the BFFT; (2) \$938,089 incurred in connection

1 with the November 2010 meeting; (3) \$511,734 incurred internally to rectify errors in  
2 engineering reports submitted by Plaintiff; (4) \$13,310 stemming from a faulty heat  
3 exchanger on the SRP; (5) \$33,046 for travel to Israel; and (6) \$26,092 in damage to the  
4 SRP during shipment.

5 As to the first amount, Defendant submits a letter from Toshiba claiming  
6 \$1,429,518.90 in damages relating to the BFFT. This is the same letter discussed above  
7 with respect to Boeing charges and liquidated damages. Doc. 122-6, Ex. DD. The letter  
8 states only that Toshiba is making a “claim” against Defendant in this amount. The letter  
9 does not show that Defendant has incurred or will incur this expense, nor does it show  
10 that the claimed \$1,429,518.90 is attributable entirely to Plaintiff. Defendant’s claim for  
11 this amount, as its claim for liquidated damages, is speculative.

12 As noted above, Defendant claims that Toshiba has withheld payments of  
13 \$2,596,000, but this fact does not establish the damages caused by Plaintiff. It is not  
14 known today whether some or all of the \$2,596,000 will be paid by Toshiba in the future.  
15 The Court noted above that the Prime Contract has not been terminated, and it appears  
16 Defendant is continuing to attempt to work with Toshiba in providing an SRP to the  
17 JMOD. But even if this amount is not paid by Toshiba in the future, one cannot know  
18 today how this amount would be allocated among the more than \$3 million in damages  
19 Toshiba claims against Defendant, and what portion, if any, would be attributable to  
20 Defendant’s current claim for damages against Plaintiff. In other words, Defendant’s  
21 evidence presents little more than the possibility that Defendant will incur this  
22 \$1,429,518.90 BFFT expense in the future, and even that possibility does not establish  
23 that Plaintiff was the cause of all of it. Because a reasonable jury could not conclude that  
24 Defendant has in fact been injured in the amount of \$1,429,518.90 as a result of  
25 Plaintiff’s conduct, summary judgment will be granted on this amount. *Anderson*, 477  
26 U.S. at 248.<sup>3</sup>

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28 <sup>3</sup> The Court pauses to note that Defendant is losing claims that it cannot prove  
because they are not ripe – the evidence today does not show that Defendant in fact will  
incur the damages claimed by Toshiba. Defendant nonetheless has chosen to assert the

1 Defendant's remaining categories of internal expenses fare no better. To support  
2 these claims, Defendant relies entirely on the deposition testimony of an accountant,  
3 Robin Barrett, and a list of activity codes used to calculate internal costs. Doc. 122-6 at  
4 40. Ms. Barrett's testimony provided no evidence, however, that the various categories  
5 of expenses were in fact incurred as a result of Plaintiff's alleged breach. She testified  
6 that she reviewed a list of accounting codes used by Defendant to track employee labor  
7 and expenses and the clients to whom they were billed, and that these lists were generated  
8 by requesting data from Defendant's ledger system. *Id.* at 40. But she provided no  
9 testimony that the amounts recorded under these various accounting codes were in fact  
10 incurred because of Plaintiff's breach. To the contrary, when asked for details about  
11 amounts listed under the various accounting codes, Ms. Barrett was unable to provide  
12 any. She repeatedly testified that she knew nothing more than the titles on the accounting  
13 codes and could provide no details about the work actually performed or the expenses  
14 actually incurred. *See, e.g.*, Doc. 122-6 at 52, 54-55, 58, 61, 62-63, 65-67. What is more,  
15 the excerpt of Ms. Barrett's deposition provided by Defendant is incomplete. It excludes  
16 all but two of the first 40 pages of the deposition, during which many terms were defined,  
17 and it omits most of the exhibits being discussed during the questioning. Doc. 122-6.  
18 The Court and its staff have read the deposition excerpt more than once and simply  
19 cannot find evidence linking the numbers about which Mr. Barrett testified to any breach  
20 by Plaintiff. Because no reasonable jury could conclude from this evidence that Plaintiff  
21 in fact caused the losses claimed by Defendant, the Court will enter summary judgment  
22 on the counterclaim for the following amounts: \$938,089 incurred in connection with the  
23 November 2010 meeting; \$511,734 incurred internally to rectify errors in engineering

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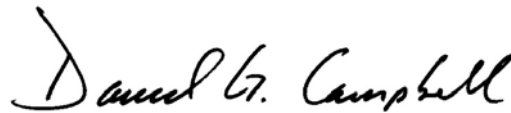
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25 claims now and has failed to make the showing necessary to resist summary judgment,  
26 resulting in their elimination by summary judgment. Defendant could have chosen to  
27 assert the claims in a later action after its obligations to Toshiba were clear, but it did not  
28 do so. Defendant cannot claim that it was forced to assert the claims in this case as  
compulsory counterclaims. The compulsory counterclaim rule applies only to claims that  
exist at the time a defendant serves its pleading. Claims that are not mature at that time  
need not be asserted. *See Allan Block Corp. v. County Materials Corp.*, 512 F.3d 912,  
920 (7th Cir. 2008) ("Rule 13(a) does not require the defendant to file as a compulsory  
counterclaim a claim that hasn't accrued yet") (citing cases).

1 reports submitted by Plaintiff; \$13,310 stemming from a faulty heat exchanger on the  
2 SRP; \$33,046 for travel to Israel; and \$26,092 in damage to the SRP during shipment.  
3 *Anderson*, 477 U.S. at 248.

4 **IT IS ORDERED:**

- 5 1. Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment (Doc. 109) is **granted** on  
6 Defendant's counterclaims for liquidated damages, lost profits, and the  
7 following internal expenses: (1) \$640,177 relating to work performed by  
8 Boeing engineers and passed onto Defendant; (2) \$1,429,518.90 relating to  
9 the BFFT; (3) \$938,089 incurred in connection with the November 2010  
10 meeting; (4) \$511,734 incurred internally to rectify errors in engineering  
11 reports submitted by Plaintiff; (5) \$13,310 stemming from a faulty heat  
12 exchanger on the SRP; (6) \$33,046 for travel to Israel; and (7) \$26,092 in  
13 damage to the SRP during shipment. The motion is otherwise **denied**.
- 14 2. Defendant's motion to file under seal (Doc. 123) is **granted**. The Clerk is  
15 directed to accept for filing under seal the document lodged on the Court's  
16 docket as Doc. 124.
- 17 3. Defendant's motion to supplement (Doc. 133) is **granted**.
- 18 4. The Court will set a final pretrial conference by separate order.

19 Dated this 11th day of December, 2013.

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24 David G. Campbell  
25 United States District Judge  
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