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Plaintiff Perfect 10, Inc.'s Motion For Evidentiary and Other Sanctions
Against Defendant Google, Inc. and/or for the Appointment of a Special Master
has been presented to the Court for decision. Having considered the written
arguments of the parties, the supporting evidence, and having heard the oral
arguments of counsel for the parties, and finding good cause therefore, Perfect 10's
Motion is GRANTED. The Court hereby imposes the following sanctions against
Defendant Google, Inc.:

- 1. Google is ineligible for the safe harbor provisions of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (the "DMCA") set forth in 17 U.S.C. §512;
- 2. Google's three pending summary judgment motions, filed in this action on July 2, 2009 (the "Summary Judgment Motions"), are denied;
- 3. Google is hereby ordered to produce the documents which it has failed to produce, as set forth in Perfect 10's Memorandum of Points and Authorities, within 10 days of this Order. These documents include the following: (a) the "spreadsheet-type" DMCA log "summarizing DMCA notices received, the identity of the notifying party and the accused infringer, and the actions (if any) taken in response," which Google has failed to produce in violation of this Court's May 13, 2008 Order and earlier orders of Magistrate Judge Hillman; (b) the DMCA notices and other documents that Google has failed to produce in violation of the Court's orders and Google's representations that such documents have been produced.

This Order is made on the grounds that Google has violated Court Orders by concealing and suppressing documents it was obligated to produce to Perfect 10. Google's improper conduct has adversely affected Perfect 10's ability to litigate the case, and prevented Perfect 10 from being able to fully and fairly oppose the Summary Judgment Motions. Accordingly, this Court grants the Motion and imposes the sanctions sought by Perfect 10, both under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37 and under this Court's inherent power to impose sanctions in

1	response to abusive litigation practices.
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3	ALTERNATIVE ORDER:
4	This Court appoints as a Special Master to investigate
5	the issues raised by Perfect 10's Motion for Evidentiary and Other Sanctions
6	Against Google, and Google's three pending Summary Judgment Motions. The
7	Special Master is to investigate such issues as: (i) Google's alleged failure to
8	comply with Court-ordered discovery; (ii) the impact of Google's conduct upon the
9	Summary Judgment Motions; (iii) whether Google has complied with 17 U.S.C.
10	§512(i), the repeat infringer provision of the DMCA; and (iv) if Google is
11	determined to have complied with §512(i), whether Google has appropriately and
12	timely responded to each of Perfect 10's DMCA notices. The Special Master is to
13	report back to the Court within two months of this Order. This Order is made
14	pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 53(a)(1)(C).
15	IT IS SO ORDERED.
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17	Dated:
18	Honorable A. Howard Matz United States District Judge
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