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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 MMCA GROUP, LTD.,

No. C-06-7067 MMC

12 Plaintiff,

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S
MOTION TO EXPUNGE ELECTRONIC
DOCUMENT**

13 v.

14 HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY, et al.,

15 Defendants.
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17 Before the Court is plaintiff MMCA Group, Ltd.'s ("MMCA") Motion to Expunge
18 Electronic Document ("Motion to Expunge"), filed May 18, 2009, by which MMCA requests
19 that the Court "expunge . . . from the ECF website" (see Mot. at 2:15-16) MMCA's
20 Administrative Motion for Issuance of Letter of Request ("Administrative Motion"), filed May
21 14, 2009.

22 In support of such request, MMCA states that its Administrative Motion, "quoted two
23 small portions of redacted, but protected material." (See Mot. at 2:12-13.) MMCA further
24 states it "will refile the [Administrative] [M]otion as a noticed motion, and request that the
25 protected material be filed under seal." (See id. at 2:16-17.) On May 20, 2009, consistent
26 with this statement, MMCA filed a redacted version of a Motion for Issuance of Letter of
27 Request, which motion was noticed for hearing before Magistrate Judge Edward M. Chen
28 ("Noticed Motion"), as well as a redacted version of a [Proposed] Letter of Request, and an


1 administrative motion to file the unredacted versions of such documents under seal.¹ On
2 May 27, 2009, defendant Hewlett-Packard Company ("HP") filed a "Statement of
3 Conditional Non-Opposition" to MMCA's Noticed Motion, as well as a redacted version of
4 its own [Proposed] Letter of Request, a motion to file such document under seal, and the
5 declaration of Erin A. Smart ("Smart Declaration") in support of both MMCA and HP's
6 sealing motions.

7 Having read and considered MMCA's Motion to Expunge, as well as the Smart
8 Declaration, the Court finds MMCA's Administrative Motion contains sealable material.

9 Accordingly, MMCA's Motion to Expunge is hereby GRANTED, and the Clerk shall
10 prohibit public access to MMCA's Administrative Motion (Docket Number 514).

11 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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13 Dated: May 29, 2009


MAXINE M. CHESNEY
United States District Judge

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¹Also on May 20, 2009, MMCA filed an Application for Order Shortening Time on its
Noticed Motion. On May 22, 2009, Magistrate Judge Chen granted MMCA's application
and scheduled the hearing on the Noticed Motion for June 10, 2009.