

United States District Court  
For the Northern District of California

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

No. 07-05569 MHP

ALHAVILLE DESIGN, INC.,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

KNOLL, INC.,

Defendant(s).

**ORDER GRANTING  
IN PART AND  
DENYING IN PART  
MOTION FOR  
PROTECTIVE  
ORDER**

KNOLL, INC.,

Counterclaim-Plaintiff,

vs.

ALHAVILLE DESIGN, INC., et al.,

Counterclaim-Defendants.

Having reviewed the pleadings and requests for production submitted by the parties, this court finds that:

1. Defendant Knoll, Inc.'s Second Set of Requests for Admissions to plaintiff Alhaville Design, Inc. is unduly burdensome and abusive in number in view of the issues to be addressed by the upcoming summary judgment motion;


2. Plaintiff's motion for a protective order is GRANTED except as to Requests ##234-247 and 546 which shall be answered on or before September 30, 2008;

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3. All other Requests are stayed until the next hearing, which is the hearing on summary judgment re invalidity. At that time the court will set reasonable limits on the number of Requests for Admission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: September 11, 2008



MARILYN HALL PATEL  
Judge  
United States District Court  
Northern District of California