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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC,

Plaintiff,

No. C 08-02912 JSW

v.

ABBYY SOFTWARE HOUSE, ET AL.,

Defendants.

**ORDER RE PRIOR ART
REFERENCES AND CASE
MANAGEMENT**

AND ALL RELATED CASES.

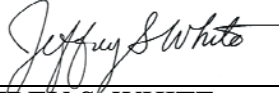
On July 2, 2010, during the case management conference, this Court entered an order requiring Defendants to identify no more than 20 prior art references prior to claim construction. Since the time of that order, the Court has received three letters from the parties contesting that ruling. The Court has reviewed the parties' joint case management statement, heard the oral argument, and reviewed the submitted letters. For the reasons set forth during the case management conference, the Court maintains the current schedule. The parties must meet and confer to arrive a mutually-agreeably schedule by no later than July 16, 2010, which shall include the date for Defendants to provide their best prior art references prior to the *Markman* process. To the extent this Court's claim construction order provides good cause, Defendants shall be permitted to exchange prior art terms, while presumptively maintaining the same number of overall terms at issue.

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To the extent the parties encounter difficult with determining precise interim dates and deadlines in the claim construction process, including the deadline for Defendants to submit their designated prior art references, the Court refers the parties to the Special Master for assistance.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 9, 2010



JEFFREY S. WHITE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE