

The undersigned judge has reviewed the parties' responses to the order to show cause why the remaining state law claims should not be dismissed without prejudice and remitted to state court. Both sides agree that the undersigned judge has discretion to remit the remaining claims to state court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1367(c)(3) now that all federal claims and counterclaims have been either resolved or dismissed. The only argument presented by plaintiff to exercise supplemental jurisdiction is that some of the state claims might potentially require resolution of a substantial question of federal patent law. The presence of underlying federal issues or affirmative defenses arising under federal law, however, are insufficient to grant original federal jurisdiction. Given the early resolution of the federal claims in this dispute, the undersigned judge declines to exercise supplemental jurisdiction over the remaining state claims.

Accordingly, all remaining state law claims, counterclaims, and counterclaims-in-reply in this action are hereby **DISMISSED** without prejudice and **REMITTED** to state court. Judgment will be entered accordingly.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 18, 2010.

WILLIAM ALSUP UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE