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Plaintiffs respectfully request the Court to take judicial notice of the following documents from a lawsuit filed in this district captioned <u>Sony Computer Entertainment America, LLC v. Hotz, et al.</u>, Civil Action No. 3:11-cv-00167-SI (N.D. Cal.) ("<u>Hotz</u>"):

Exhibit A: Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Damages Based on Violations of Digital Millennium Copyright Act; Violations of Computer Fraud and Abuse Act; Contributory Copyright Infringement; Violations of the California Comprehensive Computer Data Access and Fraud Act; Breach of Contract; Tortious Interference with Contractual Relations; Common Law Misappropriation; And Trespass.

Exhibit B: Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restarining Order, Order to Show Cause Re: Preliminary Injunction, And Order of Impoundment; Memorandum of Points and Authorities.

Exhibit C: Order Granting Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restarining Order, Order to Show Cause Re: Preliminary Injunction, And Order of Impoundment.

These documents were recently submitted by SCEA to this Court in briefing to Magistrate Judge Chen related to several outstanding discovery disputes. Rule 201(b) of the Federal Rules of Evidence provides that courts may take judicial notice of documents that are "not subject to reasonable dispute" in that they are "(1) generally known within the territorial jurisdiction of the trial court or (2) capable of accurate and ready determination by resort to sources whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned."

When ruling on a motion to dismiss, courts may consider allegations contained in pleadings, exhibits to the complaint, and matters properly subject to judicial notice. Outdoor Media Group, Inc. v. City of Beaumont, 506 F.3d 895, 899 (9th Cir. 2007). The Court may take judicial notice of other court proceedings, both within and without the federal system, if those proceedings have a "direct relation" to matters at issue. See e.g., U.S. ex rel. Robinson Rancheria Citizens Council v. Borneo, 971 F.2d 244, 248 (9th Cir. 1992); White v. Martel, 601 F.3d 882, 885 (9th Cir. 2010).

The filings in <u>Hotz</u> have a "direct relation" to the matters at issue in this litigation. Specifically, in the subject filings, in which defendant Sony Computer Entertainment America, LLC ("SCEA") is the plaintiff, SCEA makes statements that directly contradict its argument in support of its motion to dismiss

Plaintiffs' breach of warranty claim in the present case, which was heard on November 4, 2010, and is currently under submission.

This case concerns SCEA's unilateral decision to effectively terminate the advertised "Other OS" feature on its PS3 console. Plaintiffs allege that this conduct rendered each PS3 console unfit for the ordinary purposes for which it was sold, and assert a claim against SCEA under California Commercial Code §2314, which provides in relevant part that "a warranty that the goods be merchantable is implied in a contract for their sale if the seller is a merchant with respect to goods of that kind" and that "goods to be merchantable must be at least ... as fit for the ordinary purposes for which such goods are used." SCEA moved to dismiss Plaintiffs' breach of implied warranty claim by arguing that Plaintiffs and SCEA lacked privity because Plaintiffs did not purchase the product directly from SCEA. [Docket No. 97]. Plaintiffs also assert a breach of express warranty claim, but SCEA did not move to dismiss that claim based on a lack of privity. As explained in Plaintiffs' opposition to SCEA's motion to dismiss [Docket No. 104] and at oral argument, Plaintiffs can establish the requisite vertical privity for their breach of implied warranty claim, regardless of whether they purchased the PS3s directly from SCEA, because SCEA has placed itself into privity with end consumers through various means.

In <u>Hotz</u>, SCEA sued several PS3 users for injunctive relief and damages in connection with their purported unauthorized access to and copying of SCEA's proprietary PS3 technology. In the complaint, SCEA claimed direct privity of contract with the defendant PS3 users, although the users did not purchase their PS3s directly from SCEA, but rather at retail. SCEA's complaint in <u>Hotz</u> (Exhibit A) states, in pertinent part, as follows:

- 15. This Court has personal jurisdiction over each Defendant for the following reasons, among others:
- (a) ", Hotz is also subject to personal jurisdiction pursuant to the PlayStation Network Terms of Service and User Agreement ("PSN User Agreement"), which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. On information and belief, Hotz has used software updates delivered by SCEA for one or more PS3 Systems he is using. To obtain such software, users must consent to the terms and conditions of the PSN User Agreement, which require that

both parties submit to personal jurisdiction in California and further agree that any dispute arising from or relating to this Agreement shall be brought in a court within San Mateo County, California.

- 53. All PS3 System users who have used software updates delivered by SCEA for the PS3 System are bound by the PSN User Agreement or similar agreement. A copy of the PSN User Agreement is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference. On information and belief, Defendants herein have consented and are subject to the terms of the PSN User Agreement or similar agreement.
- 92. SCEA is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants agreed to the terms of the PSN User Agreement or similar agreement and entered into that contract or similar agreement with SCEA. The PSN User Agreement or similar agreement is a written contract that limits their use of the PS3 System, related hardware, and related code, including restricting access and governing allowable uses.
- 97. SCEA has contractual relationships with users of the PlayStation Network.

(emphasis added)

SCEA further claims in its Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order, Order to Show Case Re: Preliminary Injunction, and Order of Impoundment; Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support ("TRO Motion"), filed on January 11, 2011, that "Hotz is bound by the 'Playstation Network Terms of Service and User Agreement." See Exhibit B. The Court ultimately issued the TRO sought by SCEA. See Exhibit C. Thus, in Hotz, SCEA itself argues that SCEA maintains contractual privity with all PS3 users, which supports plaintiffs' breach of implied warranty claim in this action, and contradicts arguments made by SCEA in its motion to dismiss that claim.

For the reasons stated herein, plaintiffs' Request for Judicial Notice in Further Opposition to Defendant SCEA's Motion to Dismiss should be granted.

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