1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CARSON INDUSTRIES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY NETWORK, CORP.,

Defendant.

Case No. 14-cv-01769-NC

ORDER GRANTING PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT TO **CARSON RE: 90 GOGGLE KITS IN INVOICE 3245**

This order for partial summary judgment supplements the Court's first order granting in part summary judgment to Carson. As explained in the first summary judgment order, this is a breach of contract case arising from the sale of night vision goggle kits and lenses by Carson to ATN. In the first order, the Court granted partial summary judgment to Carson on its sale to ATN of 463 goggle kits and 10 lenses in the total amount of \$280,795.35. Dkt. No. 81, 9/25/2015 order.

Now the Court considers whether it should enter summary judgment against a counterclaim by ATN that it paid for but did not receive from Carson 90 goggle kits in September 2010. This shipment was addressed in Carson's first summary judgment motion, ATN's opposition, and in Carson's motion in limine number 7 seeking to exclude evidence about this shipment. Dkt. Nos. 62, 67, 84. The Court also discussed the 90-unit evidence during the pretrial conference on September 30, 2015. The Court permitted ATN Case No. 14-cv-01769-NC

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

until Friday, October 2, at 5:00 p.m. to identify admissible facts in opposition to Carson's motion in limine. Dkt. No. 89. ATN did not file a timely response, and did not seek leave to file a late response.

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(f)(3), the Court may consider summary judgment on its own after identifying for the parties material facts that may not be genuinely disputed. Here, Carson's first summary judgment motion and motion in limine number 7 gave ATN notice of the following facts. Attached to the declaration of Richard J. Barrett are documents showing that on September 14, 2010, Carson shipped 90 goggle kits to ATN. Dkt. No. 63-1, filed 7/24/2015. Carson submitted a packing slip (number 11031), an invoice (number 3245) for 90 goggle kits at \$599.45 per unit for a total of \$53,950.50, an accounts receivable summary for that same amount, and a record that ATN paid for the shipment in full, with a payment of \$53,950.50. Dkt. No. 63-1 at Exs. 5, 6.

ATN has not presented facts establishing a material dispute. Accordingly, the Court grants summary judgment in favor of Carson on ATN's counterclaim asserting that ATN paid for but did not receive 90 goggle kits in September 2010. To be clear, this order does not result in a finding of additional liability by ATN. As to the 90-unit shipment, the Court finds that ATN both received and paid for the goods it ordered.

Finally, while ATN has not presented admissible facts to rebut summary judgment, it has made repeated arguments that the evidence presented by Carson is fraudulent. Dkt. Nos. 76 (notice of intent to file motion for sanctions), 95 (opposition to motion in limine), 99 (notice of inability to file motion for sanctions). Twice in the past 15 days ATN's counsel has provided notice that by specified times he would be filing a motion for sanctions. On both occasions, he filed no motion. In the absence of a genuine factual dispute, summary judgment is appropriate.

The Court therefore GRANTS partial summary judgment in favor of Carson and against ATN on ATN's counterclaim that it paid for but did not receive 90 goggle kits referenced in invoice number 3245 in September 2010.

The Court will issue a separate order identifying the issues to be tried in the case. 2 Case No. 14-cv-01769-NC

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 6, 2015

NATHANAEL M. COUSINS

United States Magistrate Judge

United States District Court

Northern District of California

Case No. <u>14-cv-01769-NC</u>