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Northern District of California

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HVAC TECHNOLOGY LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
SOUTHLAND INDUSTRIES,  
Defendant.

Case No. [5:15-cv-02934-PSG](#)  
**CLAIM CONSTRUCTION ORDER**

Plaintiff HVAC Technology LLC claims that Defendant Southland Industries infringes U.S. Patents Nos. 7,444,731 and 7,478,761. Consistent with Pat. L.R. 4-3(c), the parties seek construction of terms and phrases in claims in the patents-in-suit.<sup>1</sup> The parties appeared for a claim construction hearing earlier today.<sup>2</sup> To avoid unnecessary delay, the court issues its constructions without its full reasoning and analysis:

PATENT NOS.	CLAIM TERM/PHRASE	CONSTRUCTION
'731	"bracket"	"a structure having a body, an arm coupled to the body, a support guide located within the arm and configured to provide support to a pipe, a base coupled to the body and configured to attach to a platform, the base further configured to provide support to the body"
'761	"protection bracket"	plain and ordinary meaning
'731, '761	"mounting (in/to) / mounted (in/to/on)"	plain and ordinary meaning

<sup>1</sup> See Docket No. 27.

<sup>2</sup> See Docket No. 37.

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PATENT NOS.	CLAIM TERM/PHRASE	CONSTRUCTION
'731	"loading . . . to"	"physically attaching . . . to, setting . . . in or on, or engaging . . . to or with"
'761	"ventilation flow control unit"	plain and ordinary meaning
'731	"HVAC pipe assembly"	plain and ordinary meaning
'761	"preassembled / preassembling"	plain and ordinary meaning
'731	"positioning / positioning . . . proximate to"	plain and ordinary meaning
'731	"transporting surface"	plain and ordinary meaning
'761	"riser"	plain and ordinary meaning

The parties should rest assured that the court arrived at these constructions with a full appreciation of not only the relevant intrinsic evidence, but also the Federal Circuit’s teaching in Phillips v. AWH Corp.<sup>3</sup> and its progeny. So that the parties may pursue whatever recourse they believe is necessary, a complete opinion will issue before entry of any judgment.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: April 8, 2016

  
PAUL S. GREWAL  
United States Magistrate Judge

<sup>3</sup> 415 F.3d 1303, 1312-15 (Fed. Cir. 2005).