

1 MICHAEL J. McCUE (Nevada Bar No. 6055)
 2 W. WEST ALLEN (Nevada Bar No. 5566)
 3 Lewis and Roca LLP
 3993 Howard Hughes Pkwy.
 4 Suite 600
 Las Vegas, NV 89109
 (702) 949-8200
 (702) 949-8398 fax
 5 Attorneys for Defendant TILTWARE, LLC
 6

7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 8 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

1ST TECHNOLOGY LLC,)	Case No.: 2:06-cv-323-LDG-RJJ
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	DEFENDANT TILTWARE, LLC's
)	SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY IN
IQ-LUDORUM, PLC, PLAYTECH)	SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION TO
CYPRUS, LTD., TILTWARE, LLC, and)	DISMISS FOR IMPROPER
KOLYMA CORPORATION, A.V.V.,)	VENUE OR, IN THE
)	ALTERNATIVE, FOR
Defendants.)	TRANSFER OF VENUE
)	

16 Defendant TiltWare, LLC (“TiltWare”) respectfully submits this response to
 17 Plaintiff 1st Technology’s supplemental opposition to TiltWare’s motion to transfer venue
 18 (Docket #37-2) (“Supp. Opp.”).

19 1st Technology’s supplemental opposition is misleading. 1st Technology moved the
 20 Court for leave to file its supplemental opposition based on “new evidence” supporting
 21 venue in this district. The new evidence that 1st Technology relies on is “numerous
 22 marketing materials . . . distributed in Las Vegas during the 2006 World Series of Poker
 23 [in July and August 2006] which promote Tiltware’s infringing Full Tilt Poker
 24 Software.” Supp. Opp. at 4. *As TiltWare stated in its reply brief filed on July 3, 2006,*
 25 *TiltWare is conceding that venue exists in this district.* Thus, 1st Technology’s alleged
 26 new evidence is irrelevant to the only issue before the Court: whether the Court should
 27 transfer venue to the Central District of California. Thus, it appears that 1st Technology
 28

1 used this irrelevant “new evidence” to make new arguments that it failed to make in its
2 initial opposition regarding whether the Court should transfer venue to the Central
3 District of California.

4 Moreover, 1st Technology’s supplemental opposition falsely claims that TiltWare
5 traveled to Las Vegas to promote its Full Tilt software. Supp. Opp. at 6. TiltWare
6 develops software and licenses software. TiltWare does not and did not market its
7 software in Las Vegas. See TiltWare’s Motion to Dismiss, Imrich Decl. (Docket #14) at
8 4 (“Tiltware has not made, used, sold, offered to sell, licensed or distributed its software
9 products to any person or entity located in Nevada”). Thus, 1st Technology’s contention
10 that TiltWare distributed its software in Las Vegas is not true.

11 1st Technology also tries to avoid transfer of this case to the Central District of
12 California by converting from a California limited liability company to a Nevada limited
13 liability company in August 2006. Supp. Opp. Exh. C. Upon information and belief, 1st
14 Technology is a “patent troll” that has no business other than attempting to extract
15 licensing fees from alleged infringers. 1st Technology is not a business that has decided
16 to move to Nevada. Rather, 1st Technology’s decision to convert from a California
17 limited liability company into a Nevada limited liability company *after TiltWare moved*
18 *the Court to transfer this case to California where both TiltWare and 1st Technology are*
19 *located* appears to nothing more than an after-the-fact effort to forum shop.

20 Nevertheless, the fact that 1st Technology is now a Nevada entity is not relevant to
21 the factors that the Court should consider in deciding whether to transfer this case to
22 California. Indeed, the only venue factors relevant to the location of the parties and the
23 evidence still favor transfer to California: (1) the residence of the parties and the
24 witnesses; (2) the forum’s convenience to the litigants; and (3) access to physical
25 evidence and other sources of proof. Gulf Oil Corp. v. Gilbert, 330 U.S. 501, 508 (1947).
26 “The convenience of the witnesses is often the most important factor considered by the
27 court when deciding a motion to transfer for convenience.” Steelcase, Inc. v. Haworth,

1 Inc., 1996 WL 806026 *3 (C.D. Cal. 1996); Geo. F. Martin Co. v. Royal Ins. Co. of
2 America, WL 1125048 (N.D. Cal. 2004) (same). 1st Technology does not claim that any
3 witnesses moved from California to Nevada. Indeed, Dr. Lewis, the inventor of the '001
4 Patent, resides in Los Gatos, California. Compl. ¶ 9. 1st Technology does not claim that
5 it has moved its principal place of business from California to Nevada. 1st Technology
6 does not claim that any evidence has been moved from California to Nevada. Thus, the
7 fact that 1st Technology is now a Nevada legal entity, apparently still with its principal
8 place of business in California, is not relevant to the issue of whether the Court should
9 transfer venue under the applicable factors.

10 **CONCLUSION**

11 The Court should transfer this case to the United States District Court for the
12 Central District of California, Western Division.

13 Dated: November 13, 2006.

14 Respectfully submitted,

15 LEWIS AND ROCA, LLP

16
17 By: _____ /s/

18 Michael J. McCue
19 3993 Howard Hughes Pkwy.,
20 Suite 600
21 Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

22 Attorneys for TiltWare, LLC
23
24
25
26
27
28

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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of LEWIS AND ROCA, LLP and that on this 13th day of November, 2006, I caused the documents entitled:

DEFENDANT TILTWARE, LLC’S SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION TO DISMISS FOR IMPROPER VENUE OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR TRANSFER OF VENUE,

to be served electronically via the CM/ECF system to the attorneys listed below:

Mark A. Hutchinson (4639)
L. Kristopher Rath (5749)
Hutchinson & Steffen, LLC
Peccole Professional Park
10080 Alta Drive, Suite 200
Las Vegas, Nevada 89145

Attorneys for Plaintiff

_____/s/
Cynthia Ferguson
An employee of Lewis and Roca, LLP