

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
MARSHALL DIVISION**

PERFORMANCE PRICING, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

GOOGLE INC., AOL LLC, MICROSOFT  
CORPORATION, YAHOO! INC.,  
IAC SEARCH & MEDIA, INC., and  
A9.COM, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:07-cv-432 (LED)

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

**Plaintiff Performance Pricing's reply brief  
for its motion for summary judgment re:  
no defense of written description under section 112**

Defendants' written description defense is aimed solely at the element of the price-determining activity ("PDA"). Satisfying this requirement in section 112 "requires that the written description actually or inherently disclose the claim element." *PowerOasis, Inc. v. T-Mobile USA, Inc.*, 522 F.3d 1299, 1306 (Fed. Cir. 2008). It is undisputed that the '253 written description expressly discloses the PDA element. *See, e.g.*, '253 at 2:66-3:1 ("price to be determined ... while participating in a Price-determining-activity (PDA)"). Accordingly, summary judgment is appropriate.

Defendants do not contest the above law or facts. Instead, Defendants argue that the specification does not contain an example "in which a PDA may be the creation and submission of ad text in a transaction involving the purchase of the same online advertising." *Opp.* at 1. This argument fails as a matter of law because the specification need not expressly disclose Defendants' specific implementation. *LizardTech, Inc. v. Earth Res. Mapping, Inc.*, 424 F.3d 1336, 1345 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (section 112 does not require the specification to "contain examples explicitly covering the full scope of the claim language"); *Falkner v Inglis*, 448 F.3d 1357, 1366 (Fed. Cir. 2006) ("we hold ... examples are not necessary to support the adequacy of a written description").

The sole evidence Defendants provide is a declaration that the inventor did not have "possession of the invention to include PDAs that [are] non-collateral activities." *Shamos* ¶ 12 (emphasis added). That declaration is conclusory and therefore insufficient to meet Defendants' burden of proof. More significantly, it is irrelevant because it addresses the wrong issue. The Court adopted a construction of PDA (which Defendants agreed to) that includes only collateral activities. *Markman* 8. Accordingly, the relevant question is whether the written description shows the inventor to be in possession of PDAs that are collateral activities. The answer is yes. *See, e.g.* 2:23-25 ("price ... is determined based upon ... participating in a collateral activity"). Defendants present no contrary evidence.

For the forgoing reasons, Plaintiff's motion should be granted in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is to certify that the motion should be filed under seal because it contains material covered by the protective approved and entered in this case as the Agreed Protective Order of July 13, 2008, Docket No. 123.

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