

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

RICOH COMPANY, LTD.,

Plaintiff,

v.

ASUSTEK COMPUTER, INC., *et al.*,

Defendants.

ORDER

06-C-462-C

On May 29, 2007, this court granted the joint motion of plaintiff Ricoh and the Philips group of third-party defendants to stay action on Philips' pending motion for summary judgment and Ricoh's motion for relief under Rule 56(f). *See* dkt. 230. I warned the parties that this delay could come back to haunt them because reducing the court's time to decide the motion meant that the court might not be able to rule on the motion until the eve of trial, if at all. Unfazed, Ricoh and Philips accepted the extension.

Now Ricoh and *Quanta* are back, asking for the same deal on that portion of *Quanta's* June 1, 2007 summary judgment motion that corresponds to Philips' motion. *See* dkt. 258. I will give the same answer and the same warning: the parties may have their extension; however, because the court has only 60 days between the filing of the last set of reply briefs on August 2 and the beginning of trial on October 1, then there is no guarantee that the court will be able to rule on the motions before trial. This possibility is not a ground to postpone trial.

To summarize: briefing on *Quanta's* summary judgment motion remains unchanged (response June 22, reply July 2) *except for* *Quanta's* argument regarding Philips and licensing

(Section IX). In the event the parties do not resolve the Philips licensing issue, then Ricoh's response to both summary judgment motions on this point must be filed as soon as possible, but not later than July 23, 2007, with all replies filed and served ten calendar days after service of the responses but not later than August 2, 2007.

Entered this 21st day of June, 2007.

BY THE COURT:
/s/
STEPHEN L. CROCKER
Magistrate Judge