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In the matter of Serial Nos. 87040508 and 87040522

SPACE EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP.,

Opposer,

HAWK HOUSE, LLC

V.

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91239181

### APPLICANT'S ANSWER TO CONSOLIDATED NOTICE OF OPPOSITION AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

Applicant, Hawk House, LLC ("Applicant"), for its answer to the Consolidated Notice of Opposition filed by Space Exploration Technologies Corp., ("Opposer") against application for registration of Applicant's trademark LOOP, Serial Nos. 87040508 and 87040522 (the "Mark"), pleads and avers as follows:

1. Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response and on that ground denies the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

2. Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response and on that ground denies the allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

3. Applicant admits the existence of Registration No. 5,176,643 and Serial No. 86/617,512. Notwithstanding, Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response to the remaining allegations in paragraph 3 and on that ground denies those remaining allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition. 4. Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response and on that ground denies the allegations contained in paragraph 4 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

5. Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response and on that ground denies the allegations contained in paragraph 5 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

6. Applicant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

7. Applicant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

8. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

9. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

10. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 10 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

11. Applicant repeats its responses to paragraphs 1-10 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition, as set forth above.

12. Applicant has neither sufficient information nor belief on which to base a response and on that ground denies the allegations contained in paragraph 12 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

13. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

14. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

15. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 15 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

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16. Applicant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 16 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

17. Applicant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 17 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

18. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 18 of the Consolidated Notice of Opposition.

### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

### **First Affirmative Defense**

Opposer fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

#### Second Affirmative Defense

There is no likelihood of confusion, mistake or deception because, inter alia, the Mark and the alleged trademark of Opposer are not confusingly similar.

### **Third Affirmative Defense**

Opposer's alleged trademark is generic or, in the alternative, merely descriptive of the goods or services offered under the mark. Opposer's alleged trademark is therefore inherently unprotectable absent acquired distinctiveness, which the Opposer's alleged mark lacks.

### Fourth Affirmative Defense

Applicant is informed and believes that Opposer has unclean hands, by virtue of improperly and/or fraudulently alleging use of Opposer's alleged mark.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays as follows:

(a) This opposition be dismissed;

(b) Registrations for the mark LOOP be issued to Applicant for Serial Nos. 87040508 and 87040522; and

(c) For such other orders and relief as may be determined by the Trademark Trials and Appeals Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 10, 2018

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