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 $Application\ serial\ no.\ \textbf{86393777}\ BLACK\ BOX (Standard\ Characters,\ see\ http://tsdr.uspto.gov/img/86393777/large)\ has\ been\ amended\ as\ follows: \\ \textbf{EVIDENCE}$

Evidence in the nature of Arguments in support of registration, namely, the applicant's response to potential Section 2(d) refusal and attached exhibits in support thereof have been attached has been attached.

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ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

Supplemental Register

The applicant seeks registration of the mark on the Supplemental Register (i.e., a change of the words 'Principal Register' to 'Supplemental Register').

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Serial No.: 86393777

Mark: BLACK BOX
Applicant: MAVSAK INC
Office Action Date: October 16, 2014

RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 16, 2014 OFFICE ACTION

This Response is filed in reply to the Office Action e-mailed on October 16, 2014. The Applicant respectfully submits the following response. Applicant submits that the above-identified trademark application for BLACK BOX is in condition for allowance to publication.

Potential Section 2(e)(1) Refusal: Merely Descriptive

Applicant responds to the refusal by amending the application to seek registration on the Supplemental Register.

Potential Section 2(d) Refusal: Likelihood of Confusion

Applicant submits a preliminary response to the potential section 2(d) refusal; however, Applicant reserves all rights to provide a detailed and more descriptive response if Examining Attorney Bridgett G. Smith raises a Section 2(d) refusal in a subsequent Office Action.

The USPTO has suggested that the Applicant's mark, BLACK BOX, may be suspended, because of a likelihood of confusion with the pending U.S. Applications Serial Nos. 86114621 and 86114622 (herein referred as the "BLACKBOXGUARD marks" or "cited marks").

No likelihood of confusion has been found for similar marks with similar goods

Courts across the country have long held that the addition of different terms to a common element appreciably reduces the likelihood of confusion between two marks. See *US Trust v. U.S. States Trust Co.*, 210 F. Supp. 2d 9, 27-28 (D. Mass 2002) (UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF BOSTON, both for financial services); *Colgate Palmolive Co. v. Carter-Wallace, Inc.*, 432 F.2d 1400, 1402, 167 U.S. P. Q. 529, 530 (C.C.P.A. 1970) (PEAK PERIOD not confusingly similar to PEAK); *Servo Corp. Am. v. Servo-Tek Prod. Co.*, 289 F. 2d 955, 981 129 U.S.P.Q. 352, 353 (C.C.P.A. 1961) (SERVOSPEED not confusingly similar to SERVO); *Sweats Fashions, Inc. v. Pannill Knitting Co.*, 833 F. 2d 1560, 1564, 4 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1793, 1796 (Fed. Cir. 1987) (SWEATS not confusing similar to ULTRA SWEATS, both for sportswear); *Gen. Mills Inc. v. Kellog Co.*, 824 F. 2d 622, 627, 3 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1442, 1446 (8th Cir. 1987) (OATMEAL RAISIN CRISP not confusingly similar to APPLE RASIN CRISP, both for breakfast cereal); *Consol. Cigar v. RJR*



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