

## BRAZILIAN COURT UPHOLDS INJUNCTION AGAINST ZTE FOR INFRINGEMENT OF VRINGO PATENT

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NEW YORK - June 18, 2014 - Vringo, Inc. (NASDAQ: VRNG), a company engaged in the innovation, development and monetization of intellectual property and mobile technologies, today announced that the Court of Justice of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil has upheld the ex-parte preliminary injunction granted against ZTE Corporation and ZTE do Brasil (collectively, "ZTE"), having rejected ZTE's interlocutory appeal of the injunction.

Vringo Infrastructure, Inc., Vringo's wholly-owned subsidiary, filed suit against ZTE on April 14, 2014 in the 5<sup>th</sup> Trial Court of Rio de Janeiro State Court, alleging infringement of Brazilian patent Pl0013975-0, which is related to 3G/4G/LTE infrastructure. On April 15, 2014, the Court granted an ex-parte preliminary injunction against ZTE, restraining ZTE from manufacturing, using, offering for sale, selling, installing, testing, or importing such infrastructure equipment. Vringo posted a bond of approximately \$900,000 with the Court in order to enforce the injunction on April 17, 2014. ZTE filed an interlocutory appeal against the injunction on May 9, 2014. On May 26, 2014, the Court denied ZTE's request for a stay of the injunction pending the interlocutory appeal hearing, which took place on June 11, 2014. Judgment was rendered at the conclusion of the hearing, and formally published thereafter.

Following the ruling, the injunction is likely to remain in place until a decision on the merits has been reached. A trial schedule has not yet been set; the average length of time in Brazil from the filing of a claim on the merits until final judgment is two to four years.

## **Background**

On October 5, 2012, Vringo Infrastructure, filed a suit in the UK High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Patents Court, alleging infringement of certain European patents. Subsequently, ZTE responded to the complaint on December 19, 2012 with a counterclaim for invalidity of the patents in suit. Vringo Infrastructure filed a further UK suit on December 3, 2012, alleging infringement of additional European patents. The first UK suit is scheduled for trial in October 2014 and the second UK suit is scheduled for trial in June 2015.

On November 15, 2012, Vringo Germany filed a suit in the Mannheim Regional Court in Germany, alleging infringement of a European patent. The litigation was expanded to include a second European patent on February 21, 2013. On November 4, 2013, Vringo filed a further brief with respect to the proceedings of the first European patent suit, asserting infringement by ZTE eNode B infrastructure equipment used in 4G networks.

On December 17, 2013, the Court issued its judgment, finding that ZTE infringed on the second European patent and ordered an accounting and an injunction upon payment of the appropriate bonds. On February 19, 2014, Vringo Germany filed suit in the Mannheim Regional Court seeking enforcement of the accounting ordered and a further order that non-compliance be subject to civil and criminal penalties. Trial in this suit is scheduled for September 2014.

On December 27, 2013, ZTE filed a notice of appeal of the Mannheim Regional Court's judgment, and on January 24, 2014, ZTE filed an emergency motion with the Court of Appeals seeking a stay of the judge's order pending appeal. On February 24, 2014, ZTE's motion was denied.

On September 13, 2013 and January 28, 2014, Vringo Germany filed two suits in the Regional Court of Düsseldorf, alleging infringement of two additional European patents. Both cases are scheduled to be heard in November 2014.

On April 2, 2013, Vringo Infrastructure filed a patent infringement lawsuit in France in the Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris, alleging infringement of the French part of two European patents. Vringo Infrastructure filed the lawsuit based on particular information uncovered during a seizure to obtain evidence of infringement, known as a saisie-contrefaçon, which was executed at two of ZTE's facilities in France. The oral hearing in relation to these patents is scheduled for December 2014 before the 3<sup>rd</sup> division of the 3<sup>rd</sup> chamber of the Tribunal de Grande Instance de Paris (specializing in intellectual property matters).

On June 11, 2013, Vringo Infrastructure filed a patent infringement lawsuit in the Federal Court of Australia in the New South Wales registry, alleging infringement by ZTE of two Australian patents. Vringo currently anticipates that the Court will set a trial date in the second half of 2014.

On September 6, 2013, Vringo Infrastructure filed a preliminary inquiry order against ZTE in the Commercial Court of Madrid, Spain, requiring ZTE to provide discovery relating to alleged infringement of a patent which is the Spanish counter-part of the second European patent filed in Germany. In light of ZTE's non-responsiveness to the order, on March 24, 2014, the Court granted Vringo's request to seek discovery of certain of ZTE's Spanish customers.

On November 7, 2013, Vringo filed a patent infringement lawsuit in the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi, India, alleging infringement of an Indian patent related to CDMA. On November 8, 2013, the Court granted an ex-parte preliminary injunction and appointed commissioners to inspect ZTE's facilities and collect evidence. ZTE appealed the preliminary injunction and, on December 12, 2013, the appellate panel instituted an interim arrangement, requiring ZTE to file an accounting affidavit disclosing the number of CDMA devices sold by its entities in India, revenue derived therefrom, and other supporting documentation. The Court also required ZTE to pay a bond of 50 million rupees (approximately \$800,000), directed Indian customs authorities to notify Vringo when all relevant ZTE goods are imported into India, and required ZTE to give Vringo the opportunity to inspect those goods. ZTE filed its accounting affidavit on January 13, 2014.

On February 3, 2014, Vringo filed a motion for contempt for ZTE's failure to comply with the Court's order, and requested that the Court order ZTE to pay an increased bond. Hearing on this motion is scheduled for July 8, 2014.

On January 31, 2014, Vringo filed a patent infringement lawsuit in the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi, alleging infringement of a second Indian patent related to GSM Infrastructure. The Court, finding a *prima facie* case of infringement, granted an ex-parte preliminary injunction, restraining ZTE and its officers, directors, agents, distributors and customers from importing, selling, offering for sale, advertising, installing, or operating any infringing

products, and giving Vringo the right to inspect any infringing goods arriving in India, which are to be detained by customs authorities. The judge granted the injunction after ruling that Vringo would suffer an irreparable loss if such an injunction were not put into place. ZTE subsequently appealed the injunction, which remains in place pending a ruling by the Court, which is expected on July 8, 2014.

On May 28, 2014, Vringo filed a patent infringement lawsuit in the District Court of The Hague in the Netherlands, alleging infringement of a European patent.

# About Vringo, Inc.

Vringo, Inc. is engaged in the development and monetization of intellectual property worldwide. The Company's intellectual property portfolio consists of over 600 patents and patent applications covering telecom infrastructure, internet search and mobile technologies. The Company's patents and patent applications have been developed internally and acquired from third parties. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.vringo.com">www.vringo.com</a>.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

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