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Subject: Confidentiality Request regarding the CBRSYS4450 multiband RF frontend and amplification unit pursuant to Sections 0.457(d) and 0.459 of the FCC Rules (CFR Title 47) FCC ID: 22AQSOCBRSYS4450

Dear Madam, dear Sir:

Octasic Inc. ("**Octasic**") hereby officially requests that the following items and information be kept confidential and **be permanently withheld from public review** in connection with the above-referenced application. The present request is made under Sections 0.457(d) and 0.459 of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Rules (CFR Title 47):

- 1. CBRSYS4450- Electrical Wiring Diagram
- 2. CBRSYS4450- System Block Diagram
- 3. CBRRFE1400 OCTT110 Schematic
- 4. CBRRFE1400 OCTT131 Schematic
- 5. OCTT093_rev2 Schematic
- 6. B014_rev2.0 Schematic
- 7. B035_3.0V- Schematic
- 8. B044-1.0V- Schematic
- 9. B057-1.0V- Schematic
- 10. CBRSYS4450 Operational Description
- 11. CBRSYS4450 User Manual
- 12. CBRSYS4450 Parts List
- 13. CBRRFE1400 OCTT110-BOM
- 14. CBRRFE1400 OCTT131-BOM
- 15. OCTT093-2 Parts List
- 16. All internal photos

Though Octasic believes that the **above items and information** (collectively, the "**Items**") are in fact trade secrets, which by definition are not for public inspection, to be on the cautious side, Octasic requests that these **Items** be permanently restricted from public inspection and review as their public disclosure could, and would, cause irreparable





competitive harm to Octasic.

In support of our request, Octasic submits the following:

- a) The **Items** contain information that is both highly confidential and proprietary technical information concerning Octasic's CBRSYS6800 product design and operating characteristics. Consequently, Octasic respectfully requests that the **Items** be treated as such, i.e. confidential information to be withheld from public inspection and review.
- b) Disclosure to Octasic's competitors of technical information contained in the above list of **Items** would likely compromise Octasic's ability to sell and continue to develop similar products as such competitors could reverse engineer the technical information contained therein.
- c) Octasic is one of many to provide equipment and products to law enforcement agencies in the US. In releasing technical information concerning our products, including the **Items**, competitors could most certainly gain access and insight in Octasic's confidential and proprietary information, which would afford them the potential to develop and manufacture the CBRSYS6800 products and provide them with an unfair advantage.
- d) As mentioned in the preamble of our justifications for our request, disclosure of the **Items** and the technical information relating thereto would cause permanent irreparable competitive harm to Octasic, as such disclosure would also provide competitors with knowledge and insight into Octasic's proprietary and confidential product development process and therefore potentially open the door for them to reverse engineer and afford them an unfair advantage by creating access to technology developed by Octasic over years of work and significant financial investment.
- e) Octasic takes great efforts to ensure that its technology, business and other proprietary information remain protected at all times. Octasic's confidential information is never disclosed to the public. Every client, manufacturer, representative, business partner or employee of Octasic must sign a nondisclosure agreement ("NDA"). For greater certainty, no Item may be sold without the prior execution of an NDA by its purchaser and its end-user (if any), and all sales of the Items are made under NDA provisions which cover, among others, third-party sales.
- f) Under the terms of the NDA, only authorized individuals may use confidential information. Consequently, the Items are not to be made accessible to the general public.
- g) As stated above, Octasic's proprietary and confidential information, including but not limited to the **Items**, is not, and has not been, disclosed to the public.
- h) As the products forming part of the **Items** are meant to be used for many years to come, it is Octasic's belief that such information should be withheld



permanently from public review and inspection and request to do so is hereby respectfully submitted.

- i) These Items consist in a base station which must always be operated by a professionally trained (by Octasic or its authorized representative) operator at all times. The installations are not made accessible to the public, as controlled by the operator. Further units that are not installed yet are also not available for public inspection. No sample of this device can be accessed by the public.
- j) The Octasic user manual is marked "confidential and proprietary". As per the terms of the NDA, access to the information contained in this manual may only be disclosed as permitted under the NDA, being *inter alia* to professional installers/operators, designated technicians and other maintenance personnel who have also signed an NDA or an agreement with similar confidentiality provisions. Therefore, the user manual is never for public consumption.

As already first mentioned, we believe that the **Items** and the information in connection therewith are more than something Octasic would like to remain confidential: they are trade secrets which are not for public consumption. These products were developed over years and significant investments have been made, including the risks and gamble that always go hand-in-hand with the development of new technology. These products are intended for use by law enforcement agencies, being a very specific clientele, and for a long time. Octasic hereby therefore makes this request for a long term so to prevent i) the release of its trade secrets to competitors and ii) the creation of an unfair advantage in their favour resulting in substantial competitive harm to Octasic.

Based on the foregoing reasons, Octasic hereby respectfully requests that the FCC grant Octasic's request to permanently treat the **Items** and information in connection therewith as confidential information, and withhold same from public review and inspection.

Should the FCC need more information, please contact the undersigned at Alexis.Levesque@octasic.com or 514-282-8858.

Yours truly,

OCTASIC INC.

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