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NOTIFICATION OF A PROVISIONAL REFUSAL OF PROTECTION OF AN INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION DESIGNATING CAMBODIA Rule 17(1)

International Registration No: 862220

IR Date (Filing Date):

August 11, 2017

Applicant:

KAN SP.Z O.O. (whose legal address is ul. Zdrojowa 51 PL-16-001 Bialystok-

Kleosin, Poland)

Mark:

KAN-THERM

<u>This is a provisional refusal based on ex-officio examination.</u> The issues listed below prevent the Department of Intellectual Property Rights from granting the registration of the mark for <u>some of the goods and/or services</u>, listed as follows:

Class(es): *I*- 11 Apparatus and installations for the distribution of drinking water, sanitary installations, including their fittings and framework; central heating installations and their pipework, regulator valves, mixing taps; heating control units (parts of heating installations), notched protective tubes with fixing handles, water heating equipment, central heating boilers, valves, mixers, air vents, thermostat valves and heads, retention valves, complex valves, selective valves, filters (parts of domestic or industrial installations).

The following goods and services are not affected by this provisional refusal:

Class(es): *I*- **6** Brass connectors, elbow joints, T-squares, rings, sleeves, extension pieces, connectors, reducing sleeves and plugs of metal, adapter sleeves for copper pipes, nuts for copper pipes, copper pipe bends, assembly plates and screws, brass screw systems, closing flaps of metal.

Class 8 Shears for cutting installation pipes of plastics, hand operated presses for pipe connectors (hand tools), expanders (hand tools), cases for clamping tools.

Class 9 Water meters, colorimeters, circuit-breakers, compensators with sleeve, disc thermometers and manometers, room thermostats.

Class 17 Handles and staples for fixing pipes, knuckle joints and connecting pieces of plastic.

Class 20 Hooks of plastic for pipes; closing flaps of plastics.

Grounds for the provisional refusal:

Disclaimer

The applicant should disclaim the exclusive right to use the term(s) "Therm" apart from the mark sought to be registered. This is pursuant to the objections concerning the registrability of the mark.

Information relating to subsequent procedure:

The applicant must respond in writing to this provisional refusal within <u>sixty (60) days</u> from receipt of the notification of this refusal from the International Bureau (IB). The response must be filed by a duly authorized resident representative in Cambodia. The representative must be appointed pursuant to Article 58 of the Law Concerning Marks, Trade Names and Acts of Unfair Competition and Article 28 of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the TM Law.

Pursuant to Article 17(2) of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the Trademark Law, the applicant or holder, through the duly authorized representative, must submit the legal arguments, the required amendments or modifications, disclaimers (on any element(s) of the mark) or limitations required within the prescribed period.

In the alternative and in accordance with Article 17(3) of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the Trademark Law, the holder, through the duly authorized representative, may submit a written request for a hearing to the Registrar. Upon receiving this request, the Registrar shall notify the applicant, in writing, at least one month before the date on which the applicant will be invited to be heard.

Failure to respond to the provisional refusal within the required period will result in the abandonment of the international registration.

If, after the holder's written response or hearing, the Registrar accepts the mark according to Article 19(1), the mark will be registered and the statement of grant of protection will be issued. The registered mark will then be published for opposition for a period of 90 days.

However, if after considering the applicant's response or hearing, the Registrar still refuses the registration of the mark, the applicant may, pursuant to Article 18(1), within one (1) month from the date of the communication from the Registrar, request the confirmation of the decision and the materials referred to in the decision. Under Article 18(2), the applicant may then appeal the Registrar's decision to the Appeal Board of the Ministry of Commerce or the competent court within three (3) months from the date of the decision.

All responses or communication should be addressed to: **Department of Intellectual Property Rights Ministry of Commerce**, Lot 19-61 113 B, Sangkat Teuk Thia Khan Sen Sok, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

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Chief of Bureau of International Marks Registration