Case 8:09-cv-00275-AG-AN Document 137 Filed 01/13/2010 Page 1 of 10 LOWELL R. STERN 1 lowell.stern@usdoj.gov 2 United States Department of Justice Antitrust Division 3 450 5th Street, N.W., Suite 8700 Washington, D.C. 20530 Telephone: (202) 307-0922 Facsimile: (202) 307-6283 4 5 Attorney for Plaintiff 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 8 9 CASE NO.: 8:09-cv-00275-AG-AN UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Hon. Andrew J. Guilford 10 Plaintiff, CORRECTED NOTICE OF MOTION 11 AND MEMORANDUM OF THE UNITED STATES IN SUPPORT OF ENTRY 12 OF FINAL JUDGMENT v. 13 MICROSEMI CORPORATION, HEARING: FEBRUARY 1, 2010 14 Defendant. TIME: 10:00 A.M. ORAL ARGUMENT WAIVED 15 16 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, February 1, 2010 at 10:00 17 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, plaintiff, 18 the United States of America ("United States"), by and through 19 the undersigned counsel, will move this Court, pursuant to 20 Section 2(b) of the Antitrust Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 21 U.S.C. § 16(b) - (h) ("APPA"), for entry of the proposed Final

Judgment filed in this civil antitrust proceeding. The proposed Final Judgment (Ex. 1 to Docket #130 and attached hereto) may be entered at this time without further hearing if the Court determines that entry is in the public interest. Pursuant to Local Rule 7-15, counsel for Plaintiff United States and Defendant Microsemi Corporation consent to waiver of oral argument on the motion. The Competitive Impact Statement 1 ("CIS"), filed in this matter on August 20, 2009 (Docket #132), 2 explains why entry of the proposed Final Judgment would be in the 3 public interest. The United States filed with this Motion and 4 Memorandum a Certificate of Compliance setting forth the steps 5 taken by the parties to comply with all applicable provisions of 6 the APPA and certifying that the statutory waiting period has 7 expired (Docket #135).

I. Background

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9 On July 14, 2008, defendant Microsemi Corporation 10 ("Microsemi") acquired most of the assets of Semicoa. After 11 investigating the competitive impact of that acquisition, the 12 United States filed a civil antitrust Complaint on December 18, 13 2008, seeking an order compelling Microsemi to divest the Semicoa assets and other relief to restore competition. The Complaint 14 15 alleges that the acquisition significantly lessened competition 16 in the development, manufacture and sale of certain high 17 reliability small signal transistors and ultrafast recovery 18 rectifier diodes used in aerospace and military applications, in 19 violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18, and 20 Section 2 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2. As a result of the 21 acquisition, prices for these products did or would have 22 increased, delivery times would have lengthened, and terms of 23 service would have become less favorable. Pursuant to an Order 24 to Preserve and Maintain Assets, which was entered on December 24, 2008 and modified on August 6, 2009, Microsemi may not, 25 26 without written consent of the United States, dispose of the

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1 acquired assets prior to resolution of this proceeding.

Concurrent with the filing of the CIS on August 20, 2009, the United States and Microsemi filed a Stipulation Regarding Proposed Final Judgment and a proposed Final Judgment. These filings were designed to restore competition through a divestiture of the acquired assets. The proposed Final Judgment requires Microsemi to divest the Semicoa assets, thus restoring the competition that was lost as a result of the acquisition.¹

9 The United States and Microsemi have stipulated that the 10 proposed Final Judgment may be entered after compliance with the 11 APPA. Entry of the Final Judgment would terminate this action, 12 except that the Court would retain jurisdiction to construe, 13 modify, or enforce the provisions of the Final Judgment and to 14 punish violations thereof.

15 II. Compliance with the APPA

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16 The APPA requires a sixty-day period for the submission of 17 public comments on a proposed Final Judgment. See 15 U.S.C. 18 § 16(b). In compliance with the APPA, the United States filed 19 the CIS on August 20, 2009; published the proposed Final Judgment 20 and CIS in the Federal Register on September 1, 2009 (see United 21 States v. Microsemi Corp., 74 Fed. Reg. 45242); and published 22 summaries of the terms of the proposed Final Judgment and CIS, 23 together with directions for the submission of written comments 24 relating to the proposed Final Judgment, in The Washington Post

¹ Microsemi completed the divestiture, in compliance with the terms of the proposed Final Judgment and with the consent of the United States, on August 20, 2009.

for seven days beginning on September 6, 2009 and ending on 1 2 September 12, 2009, and in The Los Angeles Times for seven days beginning September 13, 2009 and ending September 19, 2009. 3 The sixty-day public comment period ended on November 18, 2009, and 4 5 the United States received no comments. The United States has 6 filed a Certificate of Compliance with this Motion and Memorandum 7 that states that all the requirements of the APPA have been 8 satisfied (Docket #135). It is now appropriate for the Court to 9 make the public interest determination required by 15 U.S.C. 10 § 16(e) and to enter the proposed Final Judgment.

11 III. Standard of Judicial Review

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12 The Clayton Act, as amended by the APPA, requires that 13 proposed consent judgments in antitrust cases brought by the 14 United States be subject to a sixty-day comment period, after which the Court shall determine whether entry of the proposed 15 Final Judgment "is in the public interest." 15 U.S.C. 16 17 § 16(e)(1). In making that determination, the court, in accordance with the statute, as amended in 2004,² is required to 18 19 consider:

(A) the competitive impact of such judgment, including termination of alleged violations, provisions for enforcement and modification, duration of relief sought, anticipated effects of alternative remedies

²³ ² The 2004 amendments substituted "shall" for "may" in directing relevant factors for the court to consider and amended the list of factors to focus on competitive considerations and to address potentially ambiguous judgment terms. Compare 15 U.S.C. § 16(e) (2004) with 15 U.S.C. § 16(e) (1) (2006); see also United States v. SBC Commc'ns, Inc., 489 F. Supp. 2d 1, 11 (D.D.C. 2007) (concluding that the 2004 amendments "effected minimal changes" to Tunney Act review).

actually considered, whether its terms are ambiguous, and any other competitive considerations bearing upon the adequacy of such judgment that the court deems necessary to a determination of whether the consent judgment is in the public interest; and

(B) the impact of entry of such judgment upon competition in the relevant market or markets, upon the public generally and individuals alleging specific injury from the violations set forth in the complaint including consideration of the public benefit, if any, to be derived from a determination of the issues at trial.

8 15 U.S.C. § 16(e)(1)(A)-(B). In considering these statutory 9 factors, the court's inquiry is necessarily a limited one as the 10 government is entitled to "broad discretion to settle with the 11 defendant within the reaches of the public interest." United 12 States v. Microsoft Corp., 56 F.3d 1448, 1461 (D.C. Cir. 1995); 13 see generally United States v. SBC Commc'ns, Inc., 489 F. Supp. 14 2d 1 (D.D.C. 2007) (assessing public interest standard under the 15 Tunney Act).

16 Under the APPA a court considers, among other things, the 17 relationship between the remedy secured and the specific 18 allegations set forth in the government's complaint, whether the 19 decree is sufficiently clear, whether enforcement mechanisms are 20 sufficient, and whether the decree may positively harm third 21 parties. See Microsoft, 56 F.3d at 1458-62. With respect to the 22 adequacy of the relief secured by the decree, a court may not 23 "engage in an unrestricted evaluation of what relief would best 24 serve the public." United States v. BNS, Inc., 858 F.2d 456, 462 25 (9th Cir. 1988) (citing United States v. Bechtel Corp., 648 F.2d 660, 666 (9th Cir. 1981)); see also Microsoft, 56 F.3d at 1460-26

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1 62. Courts have held that:

2 [t]he balancing of competing social and political interests affected by a proposed antitrust consent 3 decree must be left, in the first instance, to the discretion of the Attorney General. The court's role 4 in protecting the public interest is one of insuring that the government has not breached its duty to the 5 public in consenting to the decree. The court is required to determine not whether a particular decree is the one that will best serve society, but whether 6 the settlement is "within the reaches of the public 7 interest." More elaborate requirements might undermine the effectiveness of antitrust enforcement by consent 8 decree.

9 Bechtel, 648 F.2d at 666 (emphasis added) (citations omitted).³ 10 In making its public interest determination, a district court 11 "must accord deference to the government's predictions about the 12 efficacy of its remedies, and may not require that the remedies 13 perfectly match the alleged violations." SBC Commc'ns, 489 F. 14 Supp. 2d at 17; see also Microsoft, 56 F.3d at 1461 (noting need 15 for courts to be "deferential to the government's predictions as 16 to the effect of the proposed remedies"); United States v. 17 Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., 272 F. Supp. 2d 1, 6 (D.D.C. 2003) 18 (noting that the court should grant due respect to the prediction 19 of the United States as to the effect of proposed remedies, its

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³ Cf. BNS, 858 F.2d at 464 (holding that the court's 22 "ultimate authority under the [APPA] is limited to approving or disapproving the consent decree"); United States v. Gillette Co., 23 406 F. Supp. 713, 716 (D. Mass. 1975) (noting that, in this way, the court is constrained to "look at the overall picture not 24 hypercritically, nor with a microscope, but with an artist's reducing glass"), aff'd sub nom. Maryland v. United States, 460 25 U.S. 1001 (1983). See generally Microsoft, 56 F.3d at 1461 (discussing whether "the remedies [obtained in the decree are] so 26 inconsonant with the allegations charged as to fall outside of 27 the 'reaches of the public interest'").

1 perception of the market structure, and its views of the nature 2 of the case).

3 Courts have greater flexibility in approving proposed consent decrees than in crafting their own decrees following a 4 5 finding of liability in a litigated matter. "[A] proposed decree must be approved even if it falls short of the remedy the court 6 7 would impose on its own, as long as it falls within the range of acceptability or is 'within the reaches of public interest.'" 8 9 United States v. AT&T Co., 552 F. Supp. 131, 151 (D.D.C. 1982) 10 (citations omitted) (quoting Gillette, 406 F. Supp. at 716); see 11 also United States v. Alcan Aluminum Ltd., 605 F. Supp. 619, 622 12 (W.D. Ky. 1985) (approving the consent decree even though the 13 court would have imposed a greater remedy). To meet this standard, the United States "need only provide a factual basis 14 15 for concluding that the settlements are reasonably adequate remedies for the alleged harms." SBC Commc'ns, 489 F. Supp. 2d 16 17 at 17.

18 Moreover, the Court's role under the APPA is limited to 19 reviewing the remedy in relationship to the violations that the 20 United States has alleged in its Complaint, and does not 21 authorize the Court to "construct [its] own hypothetical case and 22 then evaluate the decree against that case." Microsoft, 56 F.3d 23 at 1459. Because the "court's authority to review the decree 24 depends entirely on the government's exercising its prosecutorial discretion by bringing a case in the first place," it follows 25 26 that "the court is only authorized to review the decree itself,"

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1 and not to "effectively redraft the complaint" to inquire into 2 other matters that the United States did not pursue. Id. at 3 1459-60. Courts "cannot look beyond the complaint in making the 4 public interest determination unless the complaint is drafted so 5 narrowly as to make a mockery of judicial power." SBC 6 Communications, 489 F. Supp. 2d at 15.

7 In its 2004 amendments, Congress made clear its intent to preserve the practical benefits of utilizing consent decrees in 8 9 antitrust enforcement, adding the unambiguous instruction 10 "[n]othing in this section shall be construed to require the 11 court to conduct an evidentiary hearing or to require the court 12 to permit anyone to intervene." 15 U.S.C. § 16(e)(2). This 13 instruction explicitly writes into the statute the standard intended by the Congress that enacted the Tunney Act in 1974, as 14 15 Senator Tunney then explained: "[t]he court is nowhere compelled 16 to go to trial or to engage in extended proceedings which might 17 have the effect of vitiating the benefits of prompt and less costly settlement through the consent decree process." 119 Conq. 18 19 Rec. 24,598 (1973) (statement of Senator Tunney). Rather, the 20 procedure for the public interest determination is left to the 21 discretion of the court, with the recognition that the scope of 22 the court's "review remains sharply proscribed by precedent and 23 the nature of Tunney Act proceedings." SBC Commc'ns, 489 F. Supp. 2d at $11.^4$ 24

26 ⁴ See United States v. Enova Corp., 107 F. Supp. 2d 10, 17 (D.D.C. 2000) (noting that the "Tunney Act expressly allows the court to make its public interest determination on the basis of

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1 IV. Conclusion

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| 5 | Judgment without further hearings. The United States respectfully |
| 6 | requests that the Final Judgment annexed hereto be entered as |
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| 21 | the competitive impact statement and response to comments |
| 22 | alone"); United States v. Mid-Am. Dairymen, Inc., 1977-1 Trade Cas. (CCH) 61,508, at 71,980 (W.D. Mo. 1977) ("Absent a showing |
| 23 | of corrupt failure of the government to discharge its duty, the Court, in making its public interest finding, should |
| 24 25 | carefully consider the explanations of the government in order to determine whether those explanations are reasonable under the |
| 25 26 | circumstances."); S. Rep. No. 93-298, 93d Cong., 1st Sess., at 6 (1973) ("Where the public interest can be meaningfully evaluated |
| 26 27 | simply on the basis of briefs and oral arguments, that is the approach that should be utilized."). |
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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| 6 | such filing (NEF) to the following: |
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

MICROSEMI CORPORATION,

v.

Defendant.

CASE NO.: 8:09-cv-00275-AG-AN

FINAL JUDGMENT

Hon. Andrew J. Guilford

FINAL JUDGMENT

WHEREAS, plaintiff, United States of America, filed its Complaint on December 18, 2008, and the United States and Microsemi Corporation ("Microsemi"), by their respective attorneys, have consented to the entry of this Final Judgment without trial or adjudication of any issue of fact or law, and without this Final Judgment constituting any evidence against or admission by any party regarding any issue of fact or law;

AND WHEREAS, Microsemi agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Final Judgment pending its approval by the Court;

AND WHEREAS, the essence of this Final Judgment is the prompt and certain divestiture of certain rights and assets by Microsemi to assure that competition is substantially restored;

AND WHEREAS, Microsemi has represented to the United States that the divestiture required below can and will be made and that Microsemi will later raise no claim of hardship or difficulty as grounds for asking the Court to modify any of the provisions contained below;

NOW THEREFORE, before any testimony is taken, without trial or adjudication of any issue of fact or law, and upon consent of the parties, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

I. Jurisdiction

This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of and each of the parties to this action. The Complaint states a claim upon which relief may be granted against Microsemi under Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18, as amended, and Section 2 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2.

II. <u>Definitions</u>

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A. "Microsemi" means defendant Microsemi Corporation, a
Delaware corporation with its headquarters in Irvine, California,
its successors and assigns, and its subsidiaries, divisions,
groups, affiliates, partnerships, and joint ventures, and their
directors, officers, managers, agents, and employees.

B. "Semicoa" means Semicoa, a California corporation with its headquarters in Costa Mesa, California, its successors and assigns, and its subsidiaries, divisions, groups, affiliates, partnerships, and joint ventures, and their directors, officers, managers, agents, and employees.

24 C. "Acquirer" means the entity to whom defendant divests25 the Divestiture Assets.

26 D. "Divestiture Assets" means all assets acquired by 27 Microsemi from Semicoa on July 14, 2008, including but not 28 limited to:

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- all specifications, manufacturing plans, assembly (1) instructions, standard operating procedures, and work instructions related to the manufacturing process, including all right, title and interest in or to all other assets of every kind and nature used or intended to be used in the operation of Semicoa's business, including, but not limited to, any finished or unfinished devices, any materials, data or know-how wherever found or of whatever kind reasonably required to manufacture and sell the goods and services previously produced by Semicoa, as well as all books and records, and all files, documents, papers and agreements that are material to the continuing operation of Semicoa's business;
- (2) all finished goods, works in progress, piece parts and materials inventory, packaging, and labels, supplies and other related personal property, except that which has been sold since the closing of the July 14, 2008 transaction between Microsemi and Semicoa;
 - (3) all equipment, machinery or software used in the development, design, manufacturing and testing of goods previously manufactured by Semicoa;
- (4) all right, title and interest in, and all information related to, any tooling, molds, equipment and proprietary specifications Semicoa previously had with any and all vendors from which

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Semicoa purchased goods or services, whether or not there are any "open" purchase orders issued to such vendors, as well as names and other information concerning any vendor that provides goods or services that were material to the operation of Semicoa's business;

- (5) any list of customers to which Semicoa previously sold products or provided services over the three years prior to July 14, 2008, whether or not there are any "open" sales orders from such customers;
- (6) all sales, marketing and promotional literature, cost and pricing data, promotion list, marketing data and other compilations of names and requirements, customer lists and other salesrelated materials;
 - (7) all intellectual property ("IP") assets or rights that have been used in the development, production, servicing, and sale of QML Small Signal Transistors and QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes, including but not limited to: all licenses, rights, and sublicenses, trademarks, trade names, service marks, service names, technical information, computer software and related documentation, know-how, trade secrets, approvals, certifications, advertising literature, and all manuals and technical information provided to the employees, customers, suppliers, agents, or licensees of Semicoa and used in connection with

the development, design, manufacture, testing, 1 2 markets, sale, or distribution of QML Small Signal 3 Transistors or QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes; 4 5 (8) all rights under all contracts, licenses, 6 sublicenses, agreements, leases, building leases, 7 commitments, purchase orders, bids and offers; and 8 (9) all rights acquired pursuant to municipal, state 9 and federal franchises, permits, licenses, 10 agreements, waivers and authorizations. "QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diode" means each 11 Ε. 12 JAN, JANS, JANTX, and JANTXV part listed on slash sheets 477 and 590 in the Qualified Products Database maintained by the Defense 13 Supply Center Columbus. 14 15 F. "QML Small Signal Transistor" means each JAN, JANS, 16 JANTX, and JANTXV part listed on slash sheets 182, 251, 253, 255, 270, 290, 291, 301, 317, 336, 349, 354, 366, 374, 376, 382, 391, 17 392, 394, 395, 423, 455, 512, 534, 535, 544, 545, 558, 559, 560, 18 19 and 561 in the Qualified Products Database maintained by the 20 Defense Supply Center Columbus. 21

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III. Applicability

This Final Judgment applies to Microsemi, as defined above, and all other persons in active concert or participation with it who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise.

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IV. <u>Divestiture</u>

2 Microsemi is hereby ordered and directed, within thirty Α. (30) calendar days after the filing of the proposed Final 3 Judgment in this matter, or five (5) calendar days after notice 4 of the entry of this Final Judgment by the Court, whichever is 5 6 later, to divest the Divestiture Assets to an Acquirer in a 7 manner consistent with this Final Judgment. The United States, in its sole discretion, may agree to one extension of this time 8 9 period, not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days, and shall notify 10 the Court of such extension. Microsemi agrees to use its best 11 efforts to divest the Divestiture Assets as expeditiously as 12 possible.

13 Microsemi shall provide the Acquirer and the United в. States information relating to the personnel involved in the 14 15 development, production, operation, testing, management, or sales 16 at the Divestiture Assets to enable the Acquirer to make offers of employment. Microsemi will not interfere with any 17 negotiations by the Acquirer to employ any Microsemi employee 18 19 whose primary responsibility was the development, production, 20 operation, testing, management, or sales at the Divestiture 21 Assets.

C. Microsemi shall permit the Acquirer to have reasonable access to personnel and to make inspections of the physical facilities included in the Divestiture Assets; access to any and all environmental, zoning, and other permit documents and information; and access to any and all financial, operational, or other documents and information customarily provided as part of a due diligence process.

D. Microsemi shall warrant to the Acquirer that each asset
 will be operational on the date of sale.

3 E. Microsemi shall not take any action that will impede in
4 any way the permitting, operation, or divestiture of the
5 Divestiture Assets.

F. Microsemi shall warrant to the Acquirer that there are
no material defects in the environmental, zoning, permitting,
qualification, or other permits pertaining to the operation of
the Divestiture Assets, and that following the sale of the
Divestiture Assets, Microsemi will not undertake directly or
indirectly, any challenges to the environmental, zoning, or other
permits relating to the operation of the Divestiture Assets.

13 G. Unless the United States otherwise consents in writing, the divestiture pursuant to Section IV of this Final Judgment 14 shall include the entire Divestiture Assets, and shall be 15 16 accomplished in such a way as to satisfy the United States, in its sole discretion, that the Divestiture Assets will remain 17 18 viable and the divestiture of such assets will remedy the 19 competitive harm alleged in the Complaint. The divestitures, whether pursuant to Section IV or Section V of this Final 20 21 Judgment,

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(1) shall be made to an Acquirer that, in the United States's sole judgment, has the intent and capability (including the necessary managerial, operational, technical and financial capability)

of competing effectively in the business of developing, producing, and selling QML Small Signal Transistors and QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes; and

- (2) shall be accomplished so as to satisfy the United States, in its sole discretion, that none of the terms of any agreement between an Acquirer and Microsemi give Microsemi the ability unreasonably to raise the Acquirer's costs, to lower the Acquirer's efficiency, or otherwise to interfere in the ability of the Acquirer to compete effectively in the business of developing, producing and selling QML Small Signal Transistors or QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes.
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V. Appointment of Trustee to Effect Divestiture

A. If Microsemi has not divested the Divestiture Assets within the time period specified in Section IV(A), Microsemi shall notify the United States of that fact in writing. Upon application of the United States, the Court shall appoint a trustee selected by the United States and approved by the Court to effect the divestiture of the Divestiture Assets.

B. After the appointment of a trustee becomes effective, only the trustee shall have the right to sell the Divestiture Assets. The trustee shall have the power and authority to accomplish the divestiture to an Acquirer acceptable to the United States at such price and on such terms as are then obtainable upon reasonable effort by the trustee, subject to the

1 provisions of Sections IV, V, and VI of this Final Judgment, and 2 shall have such other powers as this Court deems appropriate. 3 Subject to Section V(D) of this Final Judgment, the trustee may 4 hire at the cost and expense of Microsemi any investment bankers, 5 attorneys, or other agents, who shall be solely accountable to 6 the trustee, reasonably necessary in the trustee's judgment to 7 assist in the divestiture.

8 C. Microsemi shall not object to a sale by the trustee on 9 any ground other than the trustee's malfeasance. Any such 10 objections by Microsemi must be conveyed in writing to the United 11 States and the trustee within ten (10) calendar days after the 12 trustee has provided the notice required under Section VI.

13 The trustee shall serve at the cost and expense of D. Microsemi, on such terms and conditions as the United States 14 15 approves, and shall account for all monies derived from the sale 16 of the Divestiture Assets and all costs and expenses so incurred. 17 After approval by the Court of the trustee's accounting, including fees for its services and those of any professionals 18 and agents retained by the trustee, all remaining money shall be 19 20 paid to Microsemi and the trust shall then be terminated. The 21 compensation of the trustee and any professionals and agents 22 retained by the trustee shall be reasonable in light of the value 23 of the Divestiture Assets and based on a fee arrangement 24 providing the trustee with an incentive based on the price and 25 terms of the divestiture and the speed with which it is accomplished, but timeliness is paramount. 26

27 E. Microsemi shall use its best efforts to assist the28 trustee in accomplishing the required divestiture. The trustee

and any consultants, accountants, attorneys, and other persons 1 retained by the trustee shall have full and complete access to 2 3 the personnel, books, records, and facilities of the business to be divested, and Microsemi shall develop financial and other 4 information relevant to such business as the trustee may 5 6 reasonably request, subject to reasonable protection for trade 7 secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial 8 information. Microsemi shall take no action to interfere with or 9 to impede the trustee's accomplishment of the divestiture.

10 F. After its appointment, the trustee shall file monthly 11 reports with the United States and the Court setting forth the 12 trustee's efforts to accomplish the divestiture ordered under 13 this Final Judgment. To the extent such reports contain information that the trustee deems confidential, such reports 14 shall not be filed in the public docket of the Court. 15 Such 16 reports shall include the name, address, and telephone number of each person who, during the preceding month, made an offer to 17 acquire, expressed an interest in acquiring, entered into 18 19 negotiations to acquire, or was contacted or made an inquiry 20 about acquiring, any interest in the Divestiture Assets, and 21 shall describe in detail each contact with any such person. The trustee shall maintain full records of all efforts made to divest 22 23 the Divestiture Assets.

G. If the trustee has not accomplished the divestiture ordered under this Final Judgment within six (6) months after its appointment, the trustee shall promptly file with the Court a report setting forth: (1) the trustee's efforts to accomplish the required divestiture; (2) the reasons, in the trustee's

judgment, why the required divestiture has not been accomplished; 1 and (3) the trustee's recommendations. To the extent such 2 reports contain information that the trustee deems confidential, 3 such reports shall not be filed in the public docket of the 4 Court. The trustee shall at the same time furnish such report to 5 6 the United States, which shall have the right to make additional 7 recommendations consistent with the purpose of the trust. The 8 Court thereafter shall enter such orders as it shall deem 9 appropriate to carry out the purpose of the Final Judgment, which 10 may, if necessary, include extending the trust and the term of 11 the trustee's appointment by a period requested by the United 12 States.

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VI. <u>Notice of Proposed Divestiture</u>

15 Α. Within two (2) business days following execution of a 16 definitive divestiture agreement, Microsemi or the trustee, whichever is then responsible for effecting the divestiture 17 required herein, shall notify the United States of any proposed 18 divestiture required by Section IV or V of this Final Judgment. 19 20 If the trustee is responsible, it shall similarly notify 21 Microsemi. The notice shall set forth the details of the proposed divestiture and list the name, address, and telephone 22 23 number of each person not previously identified who offered or 24 expressed an interest in or desire to acquire any ownership interest in the Divestiture Assets, together with full details of 25 the same. 26

B. Within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt by the
United States of such notice, the United States may request from

Microsemi, the proposed Acquirer, any other third party, or the trustee, if applicable, additional information concerning the proposed divestiture and the proposed Acquirer. Microsemi and the trustee shall furnish any additional information requested within fifteen (15) calendar days of the receipt of the request, unless the parties shall otherwise agree.

7 C. Within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the 8 notice or within twenty (20) calendar days after the United 9 States has been provided the additional information requested 10 from Microsemi, the proposed Acquirer, any third party, and the 11 trustee, whichever is later, the United States shall provide 12 written notice to Microsemi and the trustee, if there is one, stating whether or not it objects to the proposed divestiture. 13 If the United States provides written notice that it does not 14 15 object, the divestiture may be consummated, subject only to 16 Microsemi's limited right to object to the sale under Section V(C) of this Final Judgment. Absent written notice that the 17 United States does not object to the proposed Acquirer or upon 18 objection by the United States, a divestiture proposed under 19 20 Section IV or Section V shall not be consummated. Upon objection by Microsemi under Section V(C), a divestiture proposed under 21 22 Section V shall not be consummated unless approved by the Court.

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VII. Financing

25 Microsemi shall not finance all or any part of any purchase 26 or divestiture made pursuant to Section IV or V of this Final 27 Judgment.

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VIII. Preserving and Maintaining Divestiture Assets

2 Until the divestiture required by this Final Judgment has 3 been accomplished, Microsemi shall take all steps necessary to 4 comply with the Order Approving Stipulation Modifying Order to 5 Preserve and Maintain Assets and Stipulation Modifying Order to 6 Preserve and Maintain Assets. Microsemi shall take no action 7 that would jeopardize the divestiture ordered by this Court.

IX. Affidavits

10 Α. Within twenty (20) calendar days of the filing of the 11 proposed Final Judgment in this matter, and every thirty (30) 12 calendar days thereafter until the divestiture has been completed under Section IV or V, Microsemi shall deliver to the United 13 States an affidavit as to the fact and manner of its compliance 14 with Section IV or V of this Final Judgment. Each such affidavit 15 shall include the name, address, and telephone number of each 16 person who, during the preceding thirty (30) calendar days, made 17 an offer to acquire, expressed an interest in acquiring, entered 18 into negotiations to acquire, or was contacted or made an inquiry 19 20 about acquiring, any interest in the Divestiture Assets, and 21 shall describe in detail each contact with any such person during 22 that period. Each such affidavit shall also include a 23 description of the efforts Microsemi has taken to solicit buyers 24 for the Divestiture Assets, and to provide required information to prospective Acquirers, including the limitations, if any, on 25 such information. Assuming the information set forth in the 26 affidavit is true and complete, any objection by the United 27 28 States to information provided by Microsemi, including limitation

1 on information, shall be made within fourteen (14) calendar days
2 of receipt of such affidavit.

Within twenty (20) calendar days of the filing of the 3 в. proposed Final Judgment in this matter, Microsemi shall deliver 4 to the United States an affidavit that describes in reasonable 5 6 detail all actions Microsemi has taken and all steps Microsemi 7 has implemented on an ongoing basis to comply with Section VIII 8 of this Final Judgment. Microsemi shall deliver to the United 9 States an affidavit describing any changes to the efforts and actions outlined in Microsemi's earlier affidavits filed pursuant 10 11 to this section within fifteen (15) calendar days after the 12 change is implemented.

C. Microsemi shall keep all records of all efforts made to preserve and divest the Divestiture Assets until one year after such divestiture has been completed.

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X. <u>Compliance Inspection</u>

18 For the purposes of determining or securing compliance Α. with this Final Judgment, or of determining whether the Final 19 20 Judgment should be modified or vacated, and subject to any 21 legally recognized privilege, from time to time authorized 22 representatives of the United States Department of Justice 23 Antitrust Division, including consultants and other persons 24 retained by the United States, shall, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Assistant Attorney General in 25 charge of the Antitrust Division, and on reasonable notice to 26 Microsemi, be permitted: 27

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- (1) access during Microsemi's office hours to inspect and copy, or at the option of the United States, to require Microsemi to provide hard copy or electronic copies of, all books, ledgers, accounts, records, data, and documents in the possession, custody, or control of Microsemi, relating to any matters contained in this Final Judgment; and
- 9 (2) to interview, either informally or on the record, 10 Microsemi's officers, employees, or agents, who 11 may have their individual counsel present, 12 regarding such matters. The interviews shall be 13 subject to the reasonable convenience of the 14 interviewee and without restraint or interference 15 by Microsemi.

B. Upon the written request of an authorized representative of the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division, Microsemi shall submit written reports or response to written interrogatories, under oath if requested, relating to any of the matters contained in this Final Judgment as may be requested.

C. No information or documents obtained by the means provided in this section shall be divulged by the United States to any person other than an authorized representative of the executive branch of the United States, except in the course of legal proceedings to which the United States is a party

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1 (including grand jury proceedings), or for the purpose of 2 securing compliance with this Final Judgment, or as otherwise 3 required by law.

If at the time information or documents are furnished D. 4 by Microsemi to the United States, Microsemi represents and 5 6 identifies in writing the material in any such information or 7 documents to which a claim of protection may be asserted under 8 Rule 26(c)(1)(G) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and 9 Microsemi marks each pertinent page of such material, "Subject to 10 claim of protection under Rule 26(c)(1)(G) of the Federal Rules 11 of Civil Procedure," then the United States shall give Microsemi 12 ten (10) calendar days notice prior to divulging such material in any legal proceeding (other than a grand jury proceeding). 13

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XI. <u>Notification</u>

16 Unless such transaction is otherwise subject to the reporting and waiting period requirements of the 17 Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, 18 15 U.S.C. § 18a (the "HSR Act"), Microsemi, without providing 19 20 advance notification to the Antitrust Division, shall not 21 directly or indirectly acquire any assets of or any interest, 22 including any financial, security, loan, equity or management 23 interest, in any entity engaged in the development, production, 24 or sale of QML Small Signal Transistors or QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes during the term of this Final Judgment. 25

26 Such notification shall be provided to the Antitrust 27 Division in the same format as, and per the instructions relating 28 to, the Notification and Report Form set forth in the Appendix to

Part 803 of Title 16 of the Code of Federal Regulations as 1 2 amended, except that the information requested in Items 5 through 9 of the instructions must be provided only about QML Small 3 Signal Transistors or QML Ultrafast Recovery Rectifier Diodes. 4 Notification shall be provided at least thirty (30) calendar days 5 6 prior to acquiring any such interest, and shall include, beyond 7 what may be required by the applicable instructions, the names of 8 the principal representatives of the parties to the agreement who 9 negotiated the agreement, and any management or strategic plans 10 discussing the proposed transaction. Early termination of the 11 waiting periods in this paragraph may be requested and, where 12 appropriate, granted in the same manner as is applicable under the requirements and provisions of the HSR Act and rules 13 promulgated thereunder. This Section shall be broadly construed 14 15 and any ambiguity or uncertainty regarding the filing of notice 16 under this Section shall be resolved in favor of filing notice.

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XII. No Reacquisition

19 Microsemi may not reacquire any part of the Divestiture20 Assets during the term of this Final Judgment.

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XIII. Retention of Jurisdiction

This Court retains jurisdiction to enable any party to this Final Judgment to apply to this Court at any time for further orders and directions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out or construe this Final Judgment, to modify any of its provisions, to enforce compliance, and to punish violations of its provisions.

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XIV. Expiration of Final Judgment

2 Unless this Court grants an extension, this Final Judgment shall expire ten (10) years from the date of its entry. 3

XV. Public Interest Determination

6 Entry of this Final Judgment is in the public interest. The 7 parties have complied with the requirements of the Antitrust 8 Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 U.S.C. § 16, including making copies available to the public of this Final Judgment, the 9 10 Competitive Impact Statement, and any comments thereon and the 11 United States's responses to comments. Based upon the record 12 before the Court, which includes the Competitive Impact Statement 13 and any comments and response to comments filed with the Court, 14 entry of this Final Judgment is in the public interest. 15 Date: _____, 2009 16 17 Court approval subject to procedures of the 18 Antitrust Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 U.S.C. § 16. 19 20 Honorable Andrew J. Guilford 21

United States District Judge