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10			DIVISION		
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12	IO GROUP, INC., a Californ	ia corporation,) CASE NO. C-06-3	926 (HRL)	
13) DECLARATION	OF KEITH RUOFF	IN
	Plaintiff,) SUPPORT OF RE		
14	vs.) DEFENDANT'S () PLAINTIFF'S M		
15) SUMMARY JUD		
16	VEOH NETWORKS, Inc., a Corporation,	California)		
17) DATE: September		
18	Defendant.) TIME: 10:00 a.m.) COURTROOM: 2		
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22	I, KEITH RUOFF, declare:				
	1. I am Vice Preside	nt of Io Group, Inc.	a company that produc	es sexually explicit	
23	audiovisual works under the	trade name of Titan	Media and Titan Men.		
25	2. I have examined v	www.veoh.com and	using the "Search Vide	os" function perform	ed
26	searches for videos thereon. I		-	-	
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28	titles and displays a "thumbn	an image next to ea	cn title. I have viewed	the file properties for	
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these thumbnails by right clicking and the file properties indicate that the pixel resolution for the
thumbnails displayed is 96 x 72 pixels.

3 3. I have also viewed the "Screencaps" images displayed on the video details page for 4 each video. I have viewed the file properties for the "Screencaps" images which indicates the pixel 5 resolution for the video screen captures is 120 x 90 pixels. 6 7 4. "Screencaps" on www.veoh.com are not right click protected and therefore users can 8 easily copy and save the screen captures to their personal computers. 9 5. I downloaded from www.veoh.com each of the video files on the disk produced to 10 Defendant with Plaintiff's production number 200282. Io has lodged this disk with the Court with 11

12 || Plaintiff's Motion to File Under Seal.

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 6. Io Group has also provided to Defendant each of Io Group's registered works that are
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 14 at issue in this matter.
- 7. I observed each of these videos streaming from www.veoh.com in Flash format.
 During the streaming process I printed a document of what was represented on my computer
 screen. Each of the documents was provided to the Court as Exhibits D and E to my Declaration in
 Support of Plaintiff's Motion Summary Judgment. The chart below indicates the file name
 downloaded from www.veoh.com, plaintiff's production number of the document portraying the
 Flash streaming and screen captures of the video file from www.veoh.com and the name of the
 registered work from with the video file was taken.
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File downloaded from	Print out of Flash presentation	Io Group	
www.veoh.com	streaming from <u>www.veoh.com</u>	Registered work	
boner.mpg, Falcon	200114-200115	Boner	
Boner.mpg			

1	Gay Porn Dont Ask Dont	200145-200146	Don't Ask, Don't
2	Tell Mi.mpg		Tell
3	GWMShort Series-1.mpg,	200155-200156	Heat
4	GWMShort Series-2.mpg,		
5	GWMShort Series-3.mpg,		
6	GWMShort Series-4.mpg,		
7	GWMShort Series-5.mpg,		
8	Piss31.mpg		
9	Hot bear sex 2.mpg, Rough	200139-200140	Island Guardian
10	Sex.mpg		
11	Military Men 1.wmv,	200108-200111	River Patrol
12	Military men.wmv		
13	piss1.mpg, piss4.mpg,	200122-200123	Sea Men
14	piss5.mpg, piss6.mpg,		
15	piss7.mpg, piss8.mpg,		
16	piss9.mpg		
17	piss12.mpg	200136	Detour

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8. Each of the above listed video files (as named by the submitting Veoh users) is entirely comprised of content taken from Plaintiff's corresponding registered works listed to the right.

9. I observed each of the video files located in the Infringing Works folder on the disk
 produced to Defendant with Plaintiff's production number 200953. Defendant identified each of
 these video files as having previously been available through www.veoh.com. Each of these video
 files is entirely comprised of content taken from the Plaintiff's corresponding registered works as
 listed on the right.

RUOFF DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF REPLY C-06-3926 (HRL)

1	File from www.veoh.com	Io Group Registered work		
2	5aadcef229ddd57e7c61cfac172ba2f0ef7b7a18.wmv	First Crush		
3	bc9053cb0e71cdfb51e2a32a3b7529b369ccb132.wmv	Carny		
4	bf56e04fdd294f65eb7c076f08a351df03593d33.mpg	Sea Men		
5	e87bc79785d7bcac4b50e76d5b03d7e78967c2b4.wmv	Laid Up		
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7	10. Io Group has lodged all of the Plaintiff's works	as listed in the right hand column of the		
8	above charts and the disk containing the files as they were made available through <u>www.veoh.com</u>			
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10	with Plaintiff's Motion to File Under Seal to avoid exposing minors or individuals not wishing to			
11	be inadvertently exposed to sexually explicit content.			
12	11. I have been in the adult business for almost 9 years. 18 U.S.C. §2257 is the most			
13	discussed and widely known regulation in the adult entertainment industry. A search on 2257 on			
14	the adult industries' online trade magazine, AVN.com (Adult Video News), returns 433 articles on			
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16	the subject. The same search on the leading online adult industry business website, Xbiz.com,			
17	returns over 330 articles regarding 2257. Literally every adult industry discussion board or blog			
18	has an ongoing thread dedicated to 2257 regulations.			
19	12. It is highly unusual for any adult business in the United States to disregard the labeling			
20	requirement under 18 U.S.C. §2257 which requires all sexually explicit material be labeled with			
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22	the information as to where age verification records are ma	aintained (which under the regulations		
23	must be the actual street address of the producer). The labe	eling requirements of 18 U.S.C. § 2257		
24	has long been the industry standard. In fact, stores, online retailers and licensees will not accept			
25	sexually explicit goods for sale or distribution without the	required §2257 labeling of the goods.		
26	The most cursory discussions with any adult industry owner, employee, or attorney would quickly			
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28	reveal how to comply with this statute and the importance	of doing so.		

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13. Io Group sells access to still images as part of the material available to customers who subscribe to Io Group's website at www.titanmen.com.

- 14. When Io Group gives a free promotional copy of a DVD to a video reviewer, it is for the purpose of enabling the reviewer to write an article or review about the movie which provides great marketing value to Io Group, Inc. 6
- 7 15. Io Group allows users to view portions of some video clips on line. These clips are 8 highly edited so that they pique the interest of the viewer. Moreover, users are not allowed to view 9 these promotional clips until they supply a valid and verified e-mail address, verify their age and 10 agree to accept promotional e-mails from Io Group in the future. These valid e-mail addresses for 11 adults that are interested in Io Group product and have granted Io permission to send e-mail 12 13 advertisements are of great value, especially since Io Group does not send any unsolicited e-mail 14 advertising (SPAM). 15
- 16. Defendant has a licensing agreement to distribute its still images through cell phones 16 and other mobile devices. Defendant's creation and display of screencaps could also have a 17 18 negative impact on Io Group's ability to sell its content through these channels, especially since 19 Defendant does not take measures to prevent the copying and downloading of the screencaps it 20 creates.

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1	17. I have personally reviewed a majority of the gay sexually explicit video files that were					
2	available on <u>www.veoh.com</u> before Defendant changed its policy and I never witnessed a §2257					
3	label on any of those files.					
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7	Pursuant to the laws of the United States. I declare under penalty of periury the foregoing					
8	Pursuant to the laws of the United States, I declare under penalty of perjury the foregoing					
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11	Dated: August 21, 2007 /s/ Keith Ruoff Keith Ruoff					
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14	I hereby attest that this is the declaration of Keith Ruoff and the original with Keith					
15 16	Ruoff's holographic signature is on file for production for the Court if so ordered, or for inspection					
10	upon request by any party. Pursuant to the laws of the United States, I declare under penalty of					
18	perjury the foregoing is true and correct.					
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21	Dated: August 21, 2007 /s/ Gill Sperlein GILL SPERLEIN,					
22	Counsel for Plaintiff Io Group, Inc.					
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