



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No: 1640/7/7/24

BETWEEN:

VICKI SHOTBOLT CLASS REPRESENTATIVE LIMITED

Class Representative

and

VALVE CORPORATION

Defendant

ORDER

UPON hearing counsel for the Class Representative (the “CR”) and the Defendant at a case management conference held on 22 June 2026

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

US disclosure

1. By 5pm on 31 July 2026, the Defendant shall:
 - 1.1. by way of disclosure, and with simultaneous inspection, produce the documents that were produced by the Defendant to the named Plaintiffs, Wolfire Games, LLC, Dark Catt Studios Holdings, Inc., and Dark Catt Studios Interactive LLC in the current proceedings taking place before the United States District Court in the *In Re Valve Corporation Antitrust Litigation* (case no 2.21-cv-00563-JCC) (the “US Proceedings”) (the “US Valve Documents”);
 - 1.2. provide descriptions of the roles of those individuals who were custodians for the purposes of the discovery exercise in the US Proceedings.

2. US Valve Documents withheld or produced subject to redactions in the US Proceedings for reasons of privilege shall be treated as privileged in these proceedings and may be withheld or reproduced with the same redactions (as applicable) without further review (but the CR reserves its position as to whether those redactions are appropriate in these proceedings and has liberty to apply).
3. US Valve Documents produced subject to redactions in the US Proceedings for reasons of confidentiality or data privacy may be reproduced with the same redactions. The CR may request reasons as to why certain documents or information have been redacted on the grounds of confidentiality under the provisions of the Confidentiality Ring Order dated 9 July 2026. Valve may respond to any such requests by reference, where appropriate, to categories of documents.
4. US Valve Documents designated as "Confidential" or "Highly Confidential – Attorney's Eyes Only" shall be disclosed into the Confidentiality Ring in accordance with the terms of the Confidentiality Ring Order dated 9 July 2026.
5. US Valve Documents shall be produced in the same format and using the same Bates Numbering as in the US Proceedings. In the event that a US Valve Document is not reasonably useable in such format (including in relation to artificial intelligence disclosure review tools), the CR may subsequently request that Valve produce certain documents or categories of document in native format (accompanied by an explanation of why the request is being made), and any such requests may not be unreasonably refused by Valve.
6. By 5pm on 31 July 2026, the Defendant shall provide:
 - 6.1. the identities of the third parties who produced material in the US Proceedings;
 - 6.2. how many documents each third party produced; and
 - 6.3. information as to the categories of documents produced by the third parties.

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7. A case management conference, with a provisional time estimate of one day, shall be listed for the first available date on or after 2 November 2026 to address, if needed, any issues arising out of the US Disclosure.

Further disclosure

8. Further disclosure by Valve (“**Further Disclosure**”) shall be relevant, reasonably necessary and proportionate to the pleaded issues in these proceedings. Further disclosure shall be determined according to the following process.
 - 8.1. By 5pm on 31 July 2026, the Defendant shall serve and file (i) a disclosure report (as defined in Rule 60(1)(b) of the Tribunal Rules) and (ii) a completed Electronic Documents Questionnaire (in the form of the questionnaire in the Schedule to Practice Direction 31B of the Civil Procedure Rules 1998).
 - 8.2. By 5pm on 13 November 2026, the Class Representative shall serve and file a Redfern Schedule setting out any requests for Further Disclosure and justifications for the same.
 - 8.3. By 5pm on 15 January 2027, the Defendant shall respond to the Class Representative’s Redfern Schedule requests.
 - 8.4. By 5pm on 5 February 2027, the Class Representative shall reply to the Defendant’s responses to its Redfern Schedule requests.
 - 8.5. The Defendant shall give any Further Disclosure by the time and date ordered by the Tribunal at the case management conference directed by paragraph 12 below.

Expert Evidence

9. By 5pm on 5 February 2027, the Class Representative and the Defendant shall each serve notice of:
 - 9.1. the number of expert witnesses it proposes to call; and
 - 9.2. those experts’ respective fields of expertise.

10. By 5pm on 19 February 2027, the Class Representative and the Defendant shall seek to agree the matters set out in paragraph 9 above and the issues it is proposed that each of the proposed experts will address, if permitted by the Tribunal.
11. The Tribunal shall give directions at the case management conference directed by paragraph 12 below in relation to the expert evidence that will be permitted to be adduced at trial.

Further case management conference

12. There shall be a further case management conference listed for the first convenient date after 1 March 2027, with a provisional time estimate of one day with one day in reserve, at which the Tribunal will consider the following issues:
 - 12.1. any disputes or outstanding issues in relation to any Further Disclosure and the time and date for provision of any Further Disclosure;
 - 12.2. the expert evidence each party will be permitted to adduce at trial;
 - 12.3. the timetable to trial; and
 - 12.4. any other relevant case management issues.

Opt-out and opt-in period

13. The period for class members to opt-out of or opt-in to these proceedings at paragraphs 11 and 12 of the Collective Proceedings Order dated 11 March 2026 is extended by three months from the date on which the extension is first advertised (and any application for opting in or out made between (i) the end of the period specified in that Order and (ii) the beginning of this three month extension shall be treated as within the period) .
14. The Class Representative shall advertise the re-opening of the opt-out and opt-in period by way of an email blast notification and advertisement on the claim website before 31 July 2026.

Trial listing

15. A Trial on all issues is listed to commence on 22 January 2029, with a time estimate of 10 weeks. This listing may be subject to further consideration at the Autumn CMC.

General

16. By agreement the parties may vary without further order any deadline in this Order for a period or periods of up to 28 days in total without reference to the Tribunal, provided that they inform the Tribunal of such agreement in advance of the expiry of the relevant deadline and the extension does not affect the date of any listed hearings.
17. Costs shall be costs in the case.
18. There shall be liberty to apply.

The Honourable Mr Justice Thompsell
Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 22 June 2026
Drawn: 9 July 2026