

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

MULTIMATIC, INC.,

Plaintiff and Counter-defendant,

v.

Case Number 19-12598

Honorable David M. Lawson

EDSCHA AUTOMOTIVE MICHIGAN, INC.,

Defendant and Counter-plaintiff.

**ORDER DENYING WITHOUT PREJUDICE MOTION
TO EXTEND CASE MANAGEMENT DEADLINES**

This matter is before the Court on the defendant's motion to extend by 90 days all case management deadlines subsequent to the August 31, 2020 claim construction hearing. The defendant expresses understandable concerns in its motion about the ability of the parties timely to conclude all of the fact discovery in this matter due to restrictions imposed by private and public authorities in response to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Although the Court is sympathetic to those concerns, it does not find that good cause has been shown at this time for the lengthy extension sought, particularly because the soonest of the deadlines that the defendant asks to adjourn is yet more than four months away. Much may change between now and then, either for the worse, or, hopefully, for the better. The Court is unable at this time either to detect an urgent need for a schedule adjustment or to predict with any certainty the extent of any adjournment that may be warranted. However, the Court will entertain an adequately grounded request for further relief should future circumstances warrant, as the operative deadlines grow near.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the hearing on the defendant's motion scheduled for June 25, 2020 is **CANCELLED**, and the defendant's motion to extend scheduling deadlines (ECF No. 27) is **DENIED** without prejudice.

s/David M. Lawson
DAVID M. LAWSON
United States District Judge

Dated: May 28, 2020