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NEO4J, INC. and NEO4J SWEDEN AB

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

12 NEO4J, INC., a Delaware corporation, and
13 NEO4J SWEDEN AB, a Swedish
corporation,

14 || Plaintiffs.

15 || v.

16 PURETHINK LLC, a Delaware limited
17 liability company, IGOV INC., a Virginia
corporation, and JOHN MARK SUHY, an
individual,

Defendants.

AND RELATED COUNTERCLAIM.

21 NEO4J, INC., a Delaware corporation, and
22 NEO4J SWEDEN AB, a Swedish
corporation.

23 Plaintiffs,

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25 GRAPH FOUNDATION, INC., an Ohio
26 corporation, GRAPHGRID, INC., an Ohio
27 corporation, and ATOMRAIN INC., a
Nevada corporation,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 5:18-CV-07182-EJD

**DECLARATION OF PHILIP RATHLE IN
SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS'
ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO FILE
EXHIBITS UNDER SEAL**

[CIVIL L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(A)]

CASE NO. 5:19-CV-06226-EJD

1 I, Philip Rathle, declare as follows:

2 1. I am the Vice President of Products at Neo4j, Inc. (“Neo4j USA”). I have held that
 3 position since December 2013; and prior to that, worked in a similar position as Senior Director of
 4 Products at Neo4j USA, beginning May 2012. I am responsible for product management of the
 5 Neo4j product portfolio, which includes the Neo4j® graph database platform (“Neo4j® Platform”).
 6 My responsibilities include product strategy and product roadmap, including specifying what
 7 features are to be built in successive versions of the Neo4j® Platform, as well as the design and
 8 behaviors of those features. I and my team work closely the Neo4j Product Engineering team, who
 9 are responsible for building and testing each successive version of the Neo4j® Platform, and who
 10 comprise of over 100 engineers primarily employed by Neo4j Sweden AB.

11 2. I submit this declaration in response to Defendants and Counterclaimants’
 12 Administrative Motion to File Exhibits Designated by Opposing Side as Highly Confidential-
 13 Attorneys’ Eyes Only and Confidential Under Protective Order. The facts stated herein are based
 14 on my personal knowledge, except with respect to those matters stated to be on information and
 15 belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true. If called upon to testify as a witness in
 16 this matter, I could and would do so competently.

17 3. I have reviewed the following exhibits to the Declaration of Adron G. Beene in
 18 Support of Defendants Consolidated Opposition and Motion For Summary Judgment (“Beene
 19 Declaration”), which either contain Plaintiffs’ highly confidential, commercially sensitive business
 20 information, or confidential, commercially sensitive business information:

21 (a) **Exhibit 1** to the Beene Declaration is a highly confidential Amended and
 22 Restated License Agreement between Neo4j, Inc. and Neo4j Sweden AB. This intercompany
 23 agreement contains highly confidential and proprietary information relating to the business and
 24 financial relationship between Neo4j, Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Neo4j Sweden AB.
 25 Neo4j Inc. is a privately held company and does not publically disclose its internal financial or
 26 business operations information, or in particular this agreement. It also limits access of this
 27 agreement and internal business and financial information on a “need-to-know basis” to a small
 28 number of high-level employees of Neo4j, Inc. and Neo4j Sweden AB, and limits its disclosure

1 subject to a non-disclosure/confidentiality agreement. I believe that the public disclosure of this
2 information would substantially harm our competitive standing in the marketplace, provide
3 competitors with information that could be used to obtain a competitive advantage over Neo4j, Inc.
4 by obtaining insight into the financial condition of Neo4j, Inc. and Neo4j Sweden AB, as well as
5 the profitability of their software business.

6 (b) **Exhibit 2** to the Beene Declaration is a highly confidential report of royalties
7 paid by Neo4j, Inc. to Neo4j Sweden under the Amended and Restated License Agreement attached
8 as Exhibit 1. This report contains highly confidential and proprietary financial information relating
9 to the business and financial relationship between Neo4j, Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiary,
10 Neo4j Sweden AB, including cost of goods and royalty payments based thereon. Neo4j Inc. is a
11 privately held company and does not publically disclose its internal financial information, or in
12 particular the amount of royalties paid or costs of its goods sold. It also limits access of this internal
13 financial information on a “need-to-know basis” to a small number of high-level employees of
14 Neo4j, Inc. and Neo4j Sweden AB, and limits its disclosure subject to a non-
15 disclosure/confidentiality agreement. I believe that the public disclosure of this information would
16 substantially harm our competitive standing in the marketplace, provide competitors with
17 information that could be used to obtain a competitive advantage over Neo4j, Inc. by obtaining
18 insight into the financial condition of Neo4j, Inc. and Neo4j Sweden AB, as well as the profitability
19 of their software business.

20 (c) **Exhibit 7** to the Beene Declaration is an October 2016 email exchange
21 between Jason Zagalsky and David Mohr, both employees of Neo4j, Inc. at that time. This email
22 contains confidential and proprietary information that relates to Neo4j, Inc.'s business model and
23 strategy of obtaining government contracts for the Neo4j® Platform. It also contains confidential
24 information pertaining to Neo4j, Inc.'s licensing strategy. I believe that the disclosure of this
25 information would substantially harm our competitive standing in the marketplace, provide
26 competitors with information that could be used to obtain a competitive advantage over Neo4j, Inc.
27 and damage Neo4j, Inc.'s actual and potential customer relationships.

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1 4. All of the documents and excerpts discussed above contain information that is highly
2 confidential and competitively sensitive. Neo4j, Inc. takes significant precautions to ensure that
3 this type of information is not publicly disclosed.

4 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the
5 foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on this 19th day of January
6 2021, at San Mateo, California

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