UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

ν.

HONG CARSON, aka "Rose Carson,"

Defendant.

SA CR No. 09-00077(B)-JVS

SUPERSEDING INFORMATION

[15 U.S.C. § 78dd-2: Foreign Corrupt Practices Act]

The United States Attorney charges:

INTRODUCTION

At all times relevant to this Superseding Information:

1. The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 ("FCPA"), as amended, Title 15, United States Code, Sections 78dd-1, et seq., was enacted by Congress for the purpose of making it unlawful, among other things, for certain United States persons and business entities to act corruptly in furtherance of an offer, promise, authorization, or payment of money or anything of value to a foreign government official (or to any person, while knowing that the money or thing of value will be offered, given or

promised to a foreign official), for the purpose of securing any improper advantage, or of assisting in obtaining or retaining business for and with, or directing business to, any person.

- 2. Control Components, Inc. ("CCI") was a Delaware corporation headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, that designed and manufactured service control valves for use in the nuclear, oil and gas, and power generation industries worldwide. CCI sold its products to both state-owned enterprises and private companies in approximately thirty countries around the world. Because CCI was organized under the laws of a State of the United States and had its principal place of business in the United States, it was a "domestic concern" as that term is defined in the FCPA, Title 15, United States Code, Section 78dd-2(h)(1).
- 3. Defendant HONG CARSON, also known as "Rose Carson" ("R. CARSON") was CCI's Manager of Sales for China and Taiwan from in or around 1995 through in or around 2000 and then served as the Director of Sales for China and Taiwan from in or around 2000 through in or around 2007. Defendant was initially a United States resident and then, in 2003, became a citizen of the United States. Defendant was a "domestic concern" and an employee and agent of CCI and thus an employee and agent of a "domestic concern" as that term is defined and used in the FCPA, Title 15, United States Code, Section 78dd-2(h)(1).
- 4. CCI's customers included Kuosheng Nuclear Power Plant ("Kuosheng") in Taiwan. Kuosheng was a department, agency, and instrumentality of a foreign government, within the meaning of the FCPA, Title 15, United States Code, Section 78dd-2(h)(2)(A).

The officers and employees of Kuosheng were "foreign officials" within the meaning of the FCPA, Title 15, United States Code, Section $78dd-2\,(h)\,(2)\,(A)$.

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COUNT ONE

[15 U.S.C. § 78dd-2]

- 5. Paragraphs 1 through 4 are realleged and incorporated by reference as through set forth herein.
- On or about August 14, 2002, in the Central District of California and elsewhere, defendant R. CARSON, did willfully make use of the mails and means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, and authorization of the payment of any money, offer, gift, promise to give, and authorization of the giving of anything of value to a foreign official, and to a person, while knowing that all or a portion of such money and thing of value would be offered, given, and promised to a foreign official, for purposes of: (i) influencing acts and decisions of such foreign official in his or her official capacity; (ii) inducing such foreign official to do and omit to do acts in violation of the lawful duty of such official; (iii) securing an improper advantage; and (iv) inducing such foreign official to use his influence with a foreign government and instrumentalities thereof to affect and influence acts and decisions of such government and instrumentality, in order to assist defendant R. CARSON and others in obtaining and retaining business for and with, and directing business to, CCI and others, to wit, Defendant R. CARSON corruptly caused an email to be sent authorizing the payment of \$40,000 to officials of Kuosheng for the purpose of

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securing Kuosheng's business.

In violation of Title 15, United States Code, Section 78dd-

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