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Agenda Anatomy of a Second Request

- **Defining Second Requests** The Requirement, Task, and Prevalence
- A Different Type of Discovery Characteristics of Second Requests
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 The Elements and Execution of Twelve Requests

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INTRODUCTORY GUIDE III

MODEL REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL (Second Request)

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Defining Second Requests The Requirement, Task, and Prevalence

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The Requirement Second Requests



HSR Act

• Federal Trade Commission (Antitrust Division)

• Department of Justice

The Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act

The Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (HSR Act) was adopted to help the federal government avoid anticompetitive outcomes during the course of mergers and acquisitions.

The HSR Act requires parties to mergers or acquisitions of certain sizes to notify the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) or the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice (DOJ) and to provide information and documentation regarding the proposed transaction.

Upon review of submitted information and documentation, the FTC or DOJ may make additional requests, known as **Second Requests**, before rendering a decision on the proposed transaction.



The Task Second Requests

Second Requests are **discovery procedures** that consist of formal requests for additional information and documentation and generally follow the framework of the Model Request for Additional Documentary Material (Second Request) as published by the FTC Premerger Notification Office.

While leveraging many of the technologies, techniques, and tactics used in traditional eDiscovery activities supporting audits, investigations, and litigation, **Second Request discovery is different** in the fact that it typically has unique characteristics that need to be considered in each case.

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	COMPLIANCE	LOCATIONS	LANGUAGES	TECHNOLOGIES



The Prevalence Second Requests

During 2018, 2,111 companies notified either the FTC or the DOJ on HSR Act reportable transactions. This number represents an increase of 2.9% over 2017 and is indicative of the increasing pulse rate of premerger notifications.

Of premerger notifications in 2018, approximately 2.2% were challenged and triggered Second Requests.

Based on the importance of Second Requests coupled with the fact that there are limited opportunities for eDiscovery providers to gain experience in this critical discovery area, it is important that companies notifying antitrust agencies of proposed transactions also proactively prepare to **engage with a proven and experienced eDiscovery provider** to ensure the best possible outcome should Second Requests support be required.

- Relatively Small Number of Second Requests
- Expertise and Experience Critical for Providers



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A Different Type of Discovery Characteristics of Second Requests

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Accelerated Timelines A Different Type of Discovery



Accelerated Timelines - From a timeline perspective, merging firms generally make premerger filings with antitrust agencies on an average of 13 days after publicly announcing a deal. These filings typically trigger a 30-day waiting period that commonly results in either the early termination or natural expiration of the waiting period without additional Second Requests.

Additionally, once a Second Request response has been certified as compliant, a second waiting period of an additional 30 days is initiated to allow for a decision on the transaction. Based on this accelerated timeline,

eDiscovery providers to the challenged parties must be able to support all elements of a Second Request discovery project in an expedited manner or potentially expose the challenged parties to legal and financial adverse outcomes.



A Standard of Substantial Compliance A Different Type of Discovery

Substantial Compliance - The standard for certification of a Second Request response is that of substantial compliance. Substantial compliance is compliance with the significant or essential requirements of a Second Request that satisfies the purpose or objective of the request even though the formal requirements may not be completely complied with at the time of the response.

This standard is unique among discovery requests in that it is **time-driven** and represents a **qualitative best effor**t at compliance instead of a quantitative, time-independent approach to compliance.

Based on the standard of substantial compliance, eDiscovery providers to the challenged parties must be able to balance time, effectiveness, and efficiency to meet certification requirements for Second Requests.

- Significant and Essential Requirements
- Qualitative Best Effort within Allocated Time



Disparate Data and Locations A Different Type of Discovery

Disparate Data Types and Locations - Given the stakes and stakeholders, parties to proposed merger transactions should consider detecting, identifying, locating, and planning for the collection of documents before a Second Request is issued.

With disparate types of business data located both on-premise and off premise at potentially multiple multinational locations, time is of the essence once a Second Request is received. Having data maps and collection plans in place will significantly increase the speed in which an organization can respond with substantial compliance.

- Leverage Custodian Interviews and Institutional Knowledge
- Data Map and Over-Collect Both on the custodial level, and data source level
 - (I.E. Slack & Mobile Devices)
 - Prepare for Additional Custodians when Anticipating and Begging Work Early on a Second Request



Support for Multiple Languages A Different Type of Discovery



With more than 70% of proposed transactions in 2018 being greater than \$200 million in value, it is reasonable to consider that supporting **foreign language discovery and review** in today's business ecosystem will be a part of most Second Request response efforts for larger deals.

Larger companies generally have a higher propensity for conducting business in multiple languages. Accordingly, eDiscovery providers supporting **multilingual and multilocation discovery and review** must be able to assemble language-appropriate and domain-qualified review teams quickly without sacrificing quality to allow for the achievement of substantial compliance with Second Requests within the typical accelerated timelines required for responses.

- Multilingual Support
- Multilocation Support



Need for Advanced Technologies A Different Type of Discovery



Need for Advanced Technologies - The extensive use of advanced data and legal discovery technologies supported by expert technologists may be required to ensure compliance with Second Requests.

Historically, both the DOJ and FTC prefer eDiscovery providers that leverage Nuix and Brainspace to comply with Second Requests.

Using advanced technologies can substantially enhance an organization's ability to have responses certified as substantially compliant. This capability is vital given that **HSR Act violations currently have penalty maximums of \$42,530 per day**.

Organizations are required to identify the use of selected advanced technologies or tools used for specific discovery tasks ranging from email threading and all forms of de-duplication to Technology-Assisted Review.

Supporting eDiscovery providers not only need to be able to implement and execute tasks with advanced technologies, but they also need to be able to understand and explain the usage of these technologies to gain approval from antitrust agencies before use.



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Managing Second Requests Preparation, Planning and Execution

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Ready, Set, Go Planning and Getting Ahead

The first phase of each Second Request case **begins with the notification** of the supported customer of additional information and documentation being requested by the FTC Premerger Notification Office.

Good enterprise class outside counsel will know a Second Request is coming and will urge the parties to act to prepare to respond ahead of the receiving a formal Second Request. It is a common misconception that Second Requests are Black Swan events from an anticipation standpoint.

Law Firms and Service Providers must leverage their institutional knowledge to **pre-emptively execute on an expected Second Request**.

FTC has a model request guide for Second Requests, providers should already have pre-defined planning tasks that can be initiated immediately after contact from customers requiring Second Request support.





One Focus. Iterative Workflows. A Provider's Perspective

The **one focus** of all Second Requests is **substantial compliance** with information and documentation requests according to defined timeline requirements, while also **protecting privilege communications** and information.

- **Traditional discovery workflows** often run in phases across the EDRM from identification, collection, ECA, through review and production.
- Second Request discovery workflows are iterative in that identification, collection, processing/ECA, review and production are often all occurring at the same time.
 - It is not uncommon for data to be collected, processed, and **pre-produced** all within the same cycle.
 - Early Identification of data types that are or are not candidates for TAR and/or Structured Analytics is critical.
 - Review teams can often be handling short message format data and document types not conducive to TAR early on in, and pre-production of responsive non-privilege communications con occur as early as data is processed and identified within these categories.



Getting Ahead of The Data Planning for Success Across Multiple Teams Working In Sync

Planning should incorporate an understanding of potential requirements to include:

Expected **Devices and Locations** Where Requested Information and Documentation Might Be Located

- Providers should keep collection resources on standby during the Second Request
- Collection and processing logs should be updated multiple times a day, and live as data is being collected, filtered, and subsequently processed.

Expected Requirements for **Processing and Normalization** of Disparate and Complex Data Formats

Providers should get ahead of data normalization if it exists and *may* be in scope. I.E. Slack, Chats, Mobile Phone Data, or Other Web Based Repositories.

Expected Requirements for Analytics and Assisted Review with **Advanced Technologies**

- Providers should have mapped out workflows, searches to facilitate TAR workflows, and experts to attest to the TAR process.
- Additionally, be prepared to work directly with regulators to vet the process by providing access to technology. ٠

Expected Legal Document **Staffing and Review** within a Compressed Timeframe

Providers should prepare for complex privilege reviews, on short schedules, and be always prepared for the unexpected – overstaffing *quality* privilege review teams is critical to avoid time squeeze.



Additional Workflow Considerations Important eDiscovery Requirements – Preparing for More Work

The FTC Premerger Notification Office's Introductory Guide III, Model Request for Additional Information and Documentary Material (Second Request), provides important information for parties to Second Requests. The guide also shares important eDiscovery-related specifications that will need to be understood and complied with as part of submissions. Areas of eDiscovery provider interest include:

- Sensitive Personally Identifiable Information or Sensitive Health Information in Data Sets (Instructions)
- Identification of any Electronic Production Tools or Software Packages Used in Response to Request*
- Identification of Person Able to Testify on Behalf of Company Relating to eDiscovery Specifications

* Guidance on tools and software packages also include specific requirements for addressing:

- Keyword Searching
- Technology Assisted Review
- Email Threading
- De-duplication, Global De-duplication, or Near De-duplication (All Forms Require Advance Approval)



Data Reduction Expectations Phase Two: Collection and Processing

Below is a general example of potential data size reduction prior to the review and production phase of Second Request support leveraging TAR with eyes on privilege documents.



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Unique Challenges, Solutions, Technology and Workflows to Streamline Review and Logging During a Second Request

Flexibility, Capability, Availability Review and Production

The requirement to have a second pass review of documents completed within the expedited timeframes of Second Requests presents a **challenge** that very few eDiscovery providers can meet in a time-efficient and cost-effective manner. Given this challenge, it is reasonable to seek providers with **integrated document review expertise, technologies, and resources** for Second Request support.

Three primary (and critical) objectives for Second Request review support include:

- Establishment of On-Premise Review Centers or Remote Reviewer Access (Flexibility)
- Identification and Sourcing of Review Attorneys Best Qualified to Support Second Requests (Capability)
- Time Sensitive Use of Sourced Reviewers to Conduct Second Request Reviews (Availability)

Having complete, fully functional, and secure review centers available to address the physical review presence preferences of Second Request customers allows providers to immediately help get reviews underway as early as possible. Additionally, having an established remote reviewer program allows for additional flexibility in getting the best reviewers available regardless of **language**, **location**, or **timing**.



Streamlining Log Creation

Enhancing Review Teams via Technical Execution

Programmatically Streamlining Privilege Logging at The Outset of A Second Request

Log Format

 Review teams, eDiscovery / Advanced Technical Support Teams, and Counsel should all clearly understand the privilege log at the start of the matter, not when documents need to be reviewed for privilege in order to begin automation steps early on and develop workflows to streamline log creation.

Name Normalization Should Begin Prior To Privilege Review and Log Creation:

• 50% of Name Normalization can be accomplished programmatically using battle tested method.

Custom Dictionary Creation:

HaystackID can create custom dictionaries, which is a cross reference against First, Last, Title (ESQ or Not), which can be leveraged to populate parties where automated name normalization fails. As more documents are tagged for privilege, and log creation begins, edits to dictionary entries can be updated on a regular basis to streamline downstream logging.



HaystackID in Action Privilege Logging Considerations and Practical Tips

Second Request Managed Review Considerations and Expertise

Does the privilege log have to be document-by-document?

Some jurisdictions encourage categorical logs.

Do all privileged documents have to be logged?

- Can email families be logged in a single entry noting that there are privileged attachments?
- Do privilege redacted documents have to be logged? If not, make sure that the physical redactions guidelines instruct the team to leave unredacted to/from/cc/bcc information, subject lines, etc., to provide context for the privileged material
- Even if producing non-inclusive emails, do non-inclusives need to be logged? HaystackID has developed tools • that allow us to identify to/from/cc/bcc information from lessor included emails so that they can be included on log entries for inclusive emails.
- Do exact duplicate attachments have to be logged? •



HaystackID in Action Privilege Logging Considerations and Practical Tips

Second Request Managed Review Considerations and Expertise

Can the to/cc/bcc fields be collapsed into a single field called, "recipients"?

Do families have to be logged if they are to/from/cc outside counsel?

• The government might not require logging of documents to/from outside counsel – but, could for those that "cc" outside counsel.

Can document titles and email subject lines be used to describe what the legal advice is "regarding" instead of having reviewers entering free-text?

Try to get ahead of third-parties appearing on the log, especially if a unique people list with their company affiliations needs to be generated.

- What is their relationship to the client? Agent? Functionally equivalent of an employee?
- Who are the per se privilege breakers (created a highlighting set for them).
- Instruct reviewers to never assume a third-party breaks privilege.



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Second Request Managed Review Considerations and Expertise

Who are common interest holders and who has joint defense agreements in place?

Ensure that all claims of CI have the parties listed in the claim. Watch merger dates, as claims of CI with the merging entities generally shouldn't pre-date the merger announcement.

Run sweeps for privileged documents that are to/from/cc/bcc .gov & .state

Run searches for privilege withhold documents that contain .gov & .state (at best they should be partially privileged).

Does every entry need an attorney in the description or to/from/cc fields?

Ensure all claims of requesting legal advice are going to attorneys.

The government has sometimes taken a strict view of "to" defining it as not including emails where attorneys were solely cc'd. Therefore, if you one can collapse the "to", "cc", and "bcc" fields into a single recipient field, fewer challenges may be raised.



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Stem Detection and Thread Consistency Analysis Toolkit Overview Proprietary HaystackID Technology to Streamline Second

Request Review Quality and Privilege Logging Burden

Consistent Threads

Exploring the HaystackID Stemming Quality Control Tool



Inconsistent Threads

Exploring the HaystackID Stemming Quality Control Tool



Key: NP = Not Privilege PP = Partially Privileged (a.k.a. Privilege Redact) PW = Privilege Withhold

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Inconsistent Threads

Exploring the HaystackID Stemming Quality Control Tool





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Why HaystackID? The Elements and Execution of Twelve Second Requests

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HaystackID and Second Requests The Elements and Execution of Twelve Requests

- Six Requests in Four Month Period (Case Study)
 Antitrust Agency Request Support: An Integrated and Organic Approach
- Addition of Seventh Request and Revision of Time Frame (Webcast)
 Seven Requests in 90 Days, Webcast Titled Anatomy of a Second Request
- Additional Requests Beyond 90 Days (Webcast Update)
 Twelve Total Requests in Approximately Nine Months, Webcast Content Update
- HaystackID and Second Requests (Background)
 The Elements and Execution of Twelve Requests



HaystackID in Action

Considering Second Requests

Twelve Separate and Successful Second Requests

Key Support Requirements

- Rolling Collections (Field Collection Expertise)
- Review Staffing and Management (On-Site Expertise)
- Rolling Reviews (Review Management Expertise)
- Custom Privilege Logs (Development Expertise)
- Test Productions (Executional Excellence)

Benefits for HaystackID Customers

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- Dedicated Second Request Support (Experience)
- Organic Forensics and Collections Team (Flexibility)
- Optimized and Integrated Sourcing and Review Approach (Speed)
- Advanced Technology-Assisted Review (Technology)
- Custom Development of Support Tools (Capability)



HaystackID and Second Requests Phases and Tools Overview





Second Request Accelerators HaystackID Attributes that Accelerate Support



Questions and Answers

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About HaystackID Why HaystackID Instead of Other Providers

HaystackID is a specialized eDiscovery services firm that helps corporations and law firms find, listen to, and learn from data when they face complex, data-intensive investigations and litigation.

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Forensics	Experts	Law Firms	Audits	Pay for Use
Early Case Insight	Technology	Corporations	Investigations	Subscriptions
Legal Review	Integration	Governments	Litigation	MSA*

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* Managed Services Agreement