

## MACHINEX VICTORIOUS IN PATENT INFRINGEMENT LAWSUIT AGAINST GREEN MACHINE

## For Immediate Release

**Plessisville, October 21, 2021** - Machinex Industries Inc. and Machinex Technologies Inc., ("Machinex") have won a significant victory in a lawsuit brought by American competitor, Green Machine Sales LLC ("Green Machine"). As a result, Green Machine's U.S. Patent 9,950,346 ("the '346 patent") for its Green Eye<sup>®</sup> Optical Sorter has been declared invalid.

Since Spring 2019, Machinex has been battling false allegations of patent infringement asserted by Green Machine in a North Carolina lawsuit. From day one, Machinex has reassured its clients and partners that it would defend Machinex's Mach Hyspec<sup>®</sup> optical sorter from Green Machine's charges that it infringed the '346 patent. In addition, Machinex asked the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") to declare Green Machine's '346 patent invalid.

The PTO did just that on October 4, 2021, issuing a Final Written Decision that all claims of the '346 patent were unpatentable. In a filing last week with the North Carolina court, Green Machine admitted it has no valid U.S. patent claims to assert against Machinex and stated that it will not be appealing the PTO's decision invalidating the '346 patent. Today, Green Machine asked the North Carolina court to dismiss the lawsuit against Machinex and the Mach Hyspec<sup>®</sup> optical sorter with prejudice.

Machinex apologizes for any inconvenience or concerns that Green Machine or this case may have caused to Machinex's clients and partners.

As an industry pioneer, we take pride in improving technologies and developing our own innovative sorting technologies every day and will continue to do so with passion.

## About Machinex

Celebrating in 2020 its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Machinex became the first company in Canada to design machinery for material recycling facilities in the 80's. The company immediately established itself as a leader in designing profitable and high-quality recycling sorting systems. Today, Machinex is still a world leader in the industry, developing cutting edge sorting, waste management, and recycling technology. Over the years, their experts have designed and installed several hundreds of turnkey facilities in partnership with leading MRFs in Canada, the United States, Europe and Oceania.

For more information, visit the Machinex web site <u>www.machinextechnologies.com</u>.

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