

## Ruling on Kodak patent delayed

A U.S. International Trade Commission ruling regarding Eastman Kodak Co.'s patent fight with Apple Inc. and Research in Motion Ltd. now looks likely to come at the end of the year instead of the end of October.

Kodak in early 2010 accused Apple and BlackBerry maker RIM of infringing on one of its patents related to ways of previewing images. A positive ruling from the trade commission could help Kodak work out a licensing deal with the two tech giants worth as much as \$1 billion, according to estimates by RBC [CapitalMarkets](#) analyst Mike Abramsky.

The ruling was scheduled to come at the end of August and was delayed by a change in judges, with the trade commission saying then that the ruling likely would come at the end of October.

But an initial determination this week by Chief Administrative Law Judge Charles E. Bullock has extended the deadline for another two months, giving more time for the case to be assigned to one of the new judges joining the commission this month, said spokeswoman Margaret O'Laughlin.

### Arista Power plans reverse split

Wind energy company Arista Power Inc. plans to do a 20-for-1 reverse stock split

by year's end. Shares of Rochester-based Arista closed Thursday at 9 cents a share. The company announced Thursday that its board had approved the reverse split, which is scheduled to take place in December.

CEO William A. Schmitz said Arista expects to apply to have its stock listed with Nasdaq or the New York Stock Exchange's Amex Equities sometime in 2012.

A reverse stock split reduces the number of outstanding shares and increases the value of each share.

### Many in U.S. see lower pay

Fifty percent of U.S. workers earned less than \$26,364 last year, reflecting a growing income gap between rich and poor, the [government](#) reported Thursday.

Overall pay was trending down, except for the nation's wealthiest. The number of people making \$1 million or more rose by more than 18 percent from 2009, the

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Social Security Administration said.

### Dow, S&P 500 post modest gains

Stocks rose modestly Thursday, though concerns remain about whether Europe will agree on a firm strategy to deal with its sovereign debt issues.

The Dow gained 37.16 points to 11,541.78 and the S&P 500 rose 0.5 percent to 1,215.39.

— Staff and wire reports

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