### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

### APPLE INC., Petitioner

V.

SMARTFLASH LLC, Patent Owner

Case CBM2015-00017 Patent 8,061,598 B2

Before the Honorable JENNIFER S. BISK, RAMA G. ELLURU, JEREMY M. PLENZLER, and MATTHEW R. CLEMENTS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

# PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Further to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70(a), requiring a separate paper requesting oral hearing and specifying issues to be argued, Petitioner submits this Request for Oral Hearing on the instituted grounds of unpatentability for claims 1, 2, 15, and 31 (all of the instituted claims) of U.S. Patent No. 8,061,598 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 and associated issues. The Board scheduled the Oral Hearing in this proceeding for November 9, 2015, along with CBM2015-00015, CBM2015-00016, and CBM2015-00018 involving the same parties and related patents, CBM2014-00193 (consolidated with CBM2015-00120) involving the same patent and additional petitioner Samsung, and CBM2014-00192 (consolidated with CBM2015-00119),

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CBM2014-00194 (consolidated with CBM2015-00117), and CBM2014-00199 involving related patents and additional petitioner Samsung. *See* Paper 23 at 7; Paper 35 at 2. Apple respectfully suggests that, once the parties to the foregoing proceedings have had an opportunity to confer following the filing of all associated Requests for Oral Hearing, the parties and Board may benefit from a conference call to discuss the logistics for the coordination of proceedings scheduled for November 9, 2015. To account for the multiple proceedings taking place on the same day, as well as the expected number of counsel (including litigation counsel in related district court proceedings) and party representatives for each party, Petitioner further respectfully requests that, to the extent practicable, the Oral Hearings for each above-listed proceeding take place in Courtroom A.

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Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING was served on October 1, 2015, to the following Counsel for Patent Owner via e-mail, pursuant to the

parties' agreement concerning service:

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