

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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SYNOPSYS, INC.  
Petitioner

v.

Patent of MENTOR GRAPHICS CORPORATION  
Patent Owner

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Case IPR2012-00042  
Patent 6,240,376

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Before HOWARD B. BLANKENSHIP, SALLY C. MEDLEY, and  
JENNIFER S. BISK, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

BISK, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

**Order Granting Limited Waiver of 37 CFR § 42.6(a)(2)(iii)**

Patent Owner, Mentor Graphics Corporation, notified Board supervisory trial clerk Maria Vignone on 27 December 2012, that the Petition filed September 26, 2012, does not comply with Rule 42.6(a)(2)(iii) in that it uses 1.5 spacing instead of double spacing in the text. The preliminary response by Patent Owner is due to be filed on 28 December 2012. Under these particular

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circumstances, we grant both Petitioner and Patent Owner a limited waiver of this rule. Patent Owner's preliminary response may use 1.5 spacing instead of double spacing. All future filings in this case, by both parties, shall comply with all portions of 37 CFR § 42.6.

Upon consideration of the record, it is

**ORDERED** that Patent Owner may file its preliminary response using 1.5 spacing instead of double spacing as required by 37 CFR § 42.6(a)(2)(iii).

**ORDERED** that all future briefing by both parties in this case shall comply with 37 CFR § 42.6.

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