

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

McCLINTON ENERGY GROUP, LLC
Petitioner

v.

MAGNUM OIL TOOLS INTERNATIONAL, LTD.
Patent Owner

Case IPR2013-00231
Patent 8,079,413 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, JOSIAH C. COCKS, and
MICHAEL R. ZECHER, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MEDLEY, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

On October 8, 2013, the initial conference call¹ was held between counsel for the respective parties and Judges Medley, Cocks, and Zecher.

Motions

Neither party seeks authorization to file a motion at this time. A general discussion was had regarding motions to seal, protective orders and motions to amend. As explained, if Patent Owner determines that it will file a motion to amend, Patent Owner must arrange a conference call soon thereafter with the Board and opposing counsel to discuss the proposed motion to amend. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.121(a). For guidance on motions to amend, Patent Owner is directed to the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide motion to amend guidelines, along with the guidelines provided in *Idle Free Systems, Inc. v. Bergstrom, Inc.*, IPR2012-00027, Paper 26 (June 11, 2013).

The parties were reminded that if they seek authorization to file a motion not contemplated per the Scheduling Order (Paper 17), the party requesting such authorization must arrange a conference call with opposing counsel and the Board.

Schedule

Counsel for the respective parties indicated that they have no issues with the Scheduling Order (Paper 17) entered September 23, 2013.

¹ The initial conference call is held to discuss the Scheduling Order and any motions that the parties anticipate filing during the trial. Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 *Fed. Reg.* 48756, 48765 (Aug. 14, 2012).

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It is

ORDERED that no motions are authorized at this time.

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