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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CARDIOCOM, LLC Petitioner

v.

ROBERT BOSCH HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS, INC. Patent Owner

Case IPR2013-00468 Patent 7,516,192 B2

Before JUSTIN T. ARBES, BRYAN F. MOORE, and TRENTON A. WARD, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MOORE, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION
Institution of *Inter Partes* Review
37 C.F.R. § 42.108

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Background

Cardiocom, LLC (Petitioner) filed a Petition to institute an *inter partes* review of claims 1-19 of U.S. Patent No. 7,516,192 B2 ("the '192 patent").



Paper 1. Robert Bosch Healthcare Systems, Inc. (Patent Owner) filed a Preliminary Response. Paper 11. We have jurisdiction under 35 U.S.C. § 314.

The standard for instituting an *inter partes* review is set forth in 35 U.S.C. § 314(a), which provides as follows:

THRESHOLD -- The Director may not authorize an inter partes review to be instituted unless the Director determines that the information presented in the petition filed under section 311 and any response filed under section 313 shows that there is a reasonable likelihood that the petitioner would prevail with respect to at least 1 of the claims challenged in the petition.

Petitioner contends that the challenged claims are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 on the following specific grounds:

Reference(s)	Basis	Claims
		challenged
Wright Jr., U.S. Patent No.	§ 103	1-3, 6, 7, 11, 12,
5,704,029 (Ex. 1002)		and 17-19
Wright Jr. and Goodman, U.S.	§ 103	1-19
Patent No. 5,827,180 (Ex. 1003)		
Goodman and Wahlquist, U.S.	§ 103	1-19
Patent No. 5,367,667 (Ex. 1004)		

For the reasons given below, we grant the Petition and institute an *inter partes* review of all claims challenged.



B. Additional Proceedings

The '192 patent is the subject of co-pending district court litigation: *Robert Bosch Healthcare Systems v. Cardiocom, LLC*, Civil Action No. 2:13-cv-349 (E.D. Tex.). Pet. 1. Furthermore, at the time the Petition was filed, patents related to the '192 patent were the subject of other district court litigation, *ex parte* reexamination, and *inter partes* review. Pet. 1-2.

C. The '192 Patent (Ex. 1001)

The '192 patent, titled "Networked System for Interactive Communication and Remote Monitoring of Individuals," issued on April 7, 2009. The '192 patent relates to "a networked system for remotely monitoring individuals and for communicating information to the individuals through the use of script programs." Ex. 1001, col. 1, 11. 39-43.

The '192 patent describes the need for remote monitoring of patients in out-patient or home healthcare programs. *Id.* at col. 1, ll. 45-50; col. 2, ll. 33-37. According to the patent, the use of personal computers, medical monitoring devices, and interactive telephone or video response systems for remote monitoring in the prior art had proved inadequate because of their expense, limited multimedia capability, or the complexity of managing non-compliant patients. *Id.* at col. 1, l. 65 – col. 2, l. 32.

One embodiment of the '192 patent, shown in Figure 1, reproduced below, is networked system 16 with server 18 connected to the Internet (communication network 24), where server 18 sends script programs to each remotely programmable apparatus 26. *Id.* at col. 4, ll. 18-35.



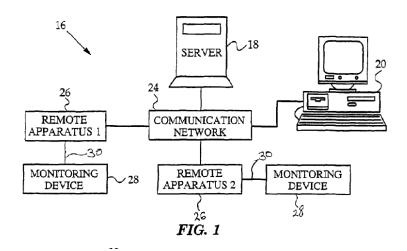


Figure 1 depicts a block diagram of networked system of the invention.

According to Figure 1, system 16 may include any number of remotely programmable apparatuses 26 (in Figure 1, two are shown) for monitoring any number of patients. *Id.* at col. 4, ll. 42-44. In one preferred embodiment, each patient is provided with monitoring device 28 (such as a blood glucose meter), which produces measurements of a physiological condition of the patient (such as blood glucose concentrations in the patient) and transmits those measurements to the patient's remote apparatus 26 via standard cable 30. *Id.* at col. 4, ll. 45-61. In operation, remotely programmable apparatus 26 executes a script program received from server 18. *Id.* at col. 5, ll. 7-9. That script program includes "queries, reminder messages, information statements, useful quotations, or other information of benefit to the patient." *Id.* at col. 5, ll. 9-11.

Claim 1, the sole independent claim challenged, illustrates the claimed subject matter and is reproduced below:

1. A monitoring system for communicating with at least one individual, the monitoring system comprising:



a computer configured to communicate with at least one remotely situated apparatus;

a user interface in communication with the computer for entering, authoring, selecting, or any combination thereof, at least one of (i) one or more messages to be presented to the individual, (ii) one or more queries to be answered by the individual, (iii) one or more response choices corresponding to the one or more queries or (iv) any combination thereof;

a data merge program configured to generate a customized script program by customizing a generic script program, wherein the customized script program is to be executed by the remotely situated apparatus and includes (i) a display command to present to the individual at least one of the one or more messages, the one or more queries, the one or more response choices corresponding to the one or more queries or any combination thereof and (ii) an input command to receive responses when the script program includes one or more queries to be presented; and

one or more databases accessible by the data merge program for storing the generic script program and any responses received from the remotely situated apparatus.

D. Claim Construction

Consistent with the statute and the legislative history of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, Public Law No. 112-29, 125 Stat. 284 (September 16, 2011), the Board will interpret claims of an unexpired patent using the broadest reasonable construction in light of the specification of the patent. *See* Office



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