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V.
PAICE LLC & THE ABELL FOUNDATION, INC. Patent Owner
Case IPR2014-00571 Patent 7,104,347

Patent Owner's Preliminary Response to Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 7,104,347

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		2. Severinsky '970 in view of the general knowledge of a POSA does not describe or suggest the claimed engine that can efficiently produce torque up to a maximum torque output MTO of the engine	
		3. Severinsky '970 in view of the general knowledge of a POSA does not describe or suggest "employing said engine to propel said vehicle when the torque RL required to do so is less than said lower level SP and using the torque between RL and SP to drive said at least one electric motor to charge said battery when the state of charge of said battery indicates the desirability of doing so	



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