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ZOND, LLC Patent Owner

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PATENT OWNER'S RESPONSE 35 USC §§ 316 AND 37 CFR §42.120

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I. INTRODUCTION

All of the challenged claims are patentable over *Wang* and *Mozgrin*, whether considered alone or in combination with *Lantsman*. *Wang* describes applying DC *power* pulses to a plasma when sputtering material from a target, but fails to teach or suggest controlling *voltage* during such activities or when generating a highdensity plasma. In fact, *Wang* does not explain any electrodynamics of highdensity plasmas.¹ *Mozgrin* relates to "high-power quasi-stationary low-pressure discharge in a magnetic field."² The study used two different "[d]ischarge device configurations,"³ and *Mozgrin* determined that when employing a magnetic field (like *Wang*), a supply unit "providing square voltage and current pulses with rise times (leading edge) of $5 - 60 \mu s$ and durations as much as 1.5 ms" was needed.⁴ *Wang*, on the other hand, deemed it important that pulses have "significant" rise times and pulse widths preferably less than 200 µs and no more than 1 ms.⁵

- ² *Ex. 1102* at p. 400, Abstract.
- ³ *Id.* at p. 401, Figs. 1a and 1b.
- ⁴ *Ex. 1102* at p. 401, rt. col. ¶ 1.
- ⁵ *Ex.* 1108 at 5:26-27, 43-48; 8:41-42.

¹ *Ex.* 2006 at \P 12.

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