

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.
and TSMC NORTH AMERICA CORPORATION,
Petitioners,

v.

ZOND, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-00861
Patent 6,806,652 B1

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, JONI Y. CHANG, SUSAN L. C. MITCHELL,
and JENNIFER M. MEYER, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MITCHELL, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Motion for Joinder
37 C.F.R. § 42.122

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Ltd. and TSMC North America Corporation (collectively, “TSMC”) filed a Petition in the above-identified *inter partes* review challenging U.S. Patent No. 6,806,652 B1 (Ex. 1101, “the ’652 patent”) owned by Zond, LLC (“Zond”). Paper 2. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.122(b), TSMC also filed a Motion for Joinder, seeking to join its proceeding with a proceeding filed by Intel Corporation (“Intel”)—specifically, joining IPR2014-00861 with IPR2014-00843. Paper 6.

On September 12, 2014, however, Intel and Zond filed a Joint Motion to Terminate and a true copy of their Written Settlement Agreement, made in connection with the termination, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b), in each of Intel’s Proceedings that involved the ’652 patent. *See, e.g.*, IPR2014-00843, Paper 7, Ex. 1115; IPR2014-00923, Paper 7; IPR2014-00945, Paper 7. Upon consideration, we terminated those Intel Proceedings and entered Judgment in each Intel Proceedings. *See* IPR2014-00843, Paper 8; IPR2014-00923, Paper 8; IPR2014-00945, Paper 8.

The termination of Intel’s Proceedings renders TSMC’s Motion for Joinder moot. Although in our previous Order, we authorized TSMC to file a revised Motion for Joinder, TSMC did not file such a Motion within the time period set forth in the Order.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Motion for Joinder filed in the above-identified TSMC Proceeding is *dismissed as moot*.

IPR2014-00861
Patent 6,806,652 B1

PETITIONER:

David L. McCombs
david.mccombs@haynesboone.com

David M. O'Dell
David.odell.ipr@haynesboone.com

PATENT OWNER:

Tarek Fahmi
Tarek.fahmi@ascendalaw.com

Gregory J. Gonsalves
gonsalves@gonsalveslawfirm.com