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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GLOBAL FOUNDRIES U.S., INC., GLOBALFOUNDRIES DRESDEN MODULE ONE LLC & CO. KG, GLOBALFOUNDRIES DRESDEN MODULE TWO LLC & CO. KG, and THE GILLETTE COMPANY

Petitioners

v.

ZOND, LLC Patent Owner

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ZOND LLC'S PATENT OWNER RESPONSE

¹ Case IPR2014-00981 has been joined with the instant proceeding.

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	ionization process that generates a strongly-ionized plasma," as recited in independent claim 1	35
2.	The cited references do not teach a "multi-step ionization process comprising exciting the ground state atoms to generate excited atoms, and then ionizing the excited atoms within the weakly-ionized plasma without forming an arc discharge," as recited in claim 1	45
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Exhibit List

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Ex. 2005	Declaration of Dr. Hartsough, Patent Owner's expert.
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Ex. 2009	Excerpts from Kua, Automatic Control, Prentice Hall Inc., 1987.
Ex. 2010	Transcript of deposition of Dr. Kortshagen, Petitioners' expert, for the '759 patent
Ex. 2011	Transcript of deposition of Dr. Kortshagen, Petitioners' expert, for the '142 patent

I. INTRODUCTION

The Petitioners' arguments hinge on fanciful misreadings of the prior art by their proffered expert, Dr. Uwe Kortshagen. As will be shown below, neither Wang nor Kudryavtsev teaches choosing *the amplitude and rise time of a voltage pulse* in order to increase the "excitation rate of ground state atoms . . . to create a multi-step ionization process that generates a strongly-ionized plasma. . . the multi-step ionization process comprising exciting the ground state atoms to generate excited atoms and then ionizing the excited atoms within the weakly-ionized plasma *without forming an arc discharge*," as required by the claims of the '759 patent. Once the Board recognizes that Dr. Kortshagen essentially invented some of the alleged "teachings" in Wang and Kudryavtsev to suit the Petitioners' objectives, the Board should agree to confirm the challenged claims.

Neither Wang nor Kudryavtsev teaches the claimed voltage pulse. The '759 patent discloses carefully designing the amplitude and rise time of a voltage pulse. The patent shows that, with proper control of the voltage amplitude and rise time, the inventor, Dr. Chistyakov, was able to ignite a plasma *without arcing*, rapidly grow that plasma to a high density, and sustain

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