

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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

v.

ZOND, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Cases IPR2014-01479 and IPR2014-01481 (Patent 6,896,773 B2)
Cases IPR2014-01482 and IPR2014-01494 (Patent 6,896,775 B2)¹

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

CHANG, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceedings
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

¹ This Order addresses similar issues in the above-identified cases. For efficiency, we issue one Order to be entered in all cases. The parties may not use this style of filing in subsequent papers, without prior authorization.

Cases IPR2014-01479 and IPR2014-01481 (Patent 6,896,773 B2)
Cases IPR2014-01482 and IPR2014-01494 (Patent 6,896,775 B2)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Ltd., TSMC North America Corporation, Fujitsu Semiconductor Limited, and Fujitsu Semiconductor America, Inc. (collectively, “TSMC”) filed Petitions in the above-identified proceedings (“TSMC Proceedings”) to institute an *inter partes* review, challenging U.S. Patent Nos. 6,896,773 B2 and 6,896,775 B2, owned by Zond, LLC (“Zond”).

TSMC’s Petitions indicate that TSMC is seeking joinder with the following proceedings filed by The Gillette Company (“Gillette”): IPR2014-00580, IPR2014-00726, IPR2014-00604, and IPR2014-00578 (“Gillette Proceedings”). A list of *inter partes* reviews involving the aforementioned patents is provided in the Appendix of this Order.

On September 24, 2014, TSMC filed a Motion for Joinder in each of the TSMC Proceedings, except in IPR2014-01494. Paper 5.² As we articulated previously in other related cases, having all of the Motions for Joinder at the time we decide the Petitions would help streamline the proceedings, in that we could decide the Motions for Joinder near the same timeframe. TSMC submits that each TSMC Petition is substantially identical to the corresponding Gillette Petition. Paper 3, 1. Zond has filed a Preliminary Response in each Gillette Proceeding, but not in the TSMC Proceedings.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the due date for filing a Preliminary Response in each of the above-identified TSMC Proceedings is **October 10, 2014**;

² For the purpose of clarity and expediency, we treat IPR2014-001479 as representative, and all citations are to IPR2014-01479 unless otherwise noted.

Cases IPR2014-01479 and IPR2014-01481 (Patent 6,896,773 B2)

Cases IPR2014-01482 and IPR2014-01494 (Patent 6,896,775 B2)

FURTHER ORDERED that TSMC should file a Motion for Joinder, within *five business days* from this Order, in IPR2014-01494;

FURTHER ORDERED that Zond is authorized to file an Opposition to each Motion for Joinder filed in the TSMC Proceedings, within *five business days* from the filing of the Motion for Joinder, limited to ten pages; and

FURTHER ORDERED that no reply is authorized.

Cases IPR2014-01479 and IPR2014-01481 (Patent 6,896,773 B2)
Cases IPR2014-01482 and IPR2014-01494 (Patent 6,896,775 B2)

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APPENDIX

“Gillette Proceedings”

U.S. Patent No. 6,896,773 B2
IPR2014-00580, IPR2014-00726,

U.S. Patent No. 6,896,775 B1
IPR2014-00604, IPR2014-00578

“TSMC (Joinder) Proceedings”

U.S. Patent No. 6,896,773 B2
IPR2014-01479, IPR2014-01481

U.S. Patent No. 6,896,775 B1
IPR2014-01482, IPR2014-01494