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PETITION FOR INTER PARTES REVIEW OF **UNITED STATES PATENT NO. 6,829,634**

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 311-319 and 37 C.F.R. § 42, the undersigned, on behalf of and representing Activision Blizzard, Inc., Electronic Arts Inc., Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc., 2K Sports, Inc., and Rockstar Games, Inc. (collectively "Petitioners"), hereby petition for *inter partes* review of claims 1-18 of U.S. Patent No. 6,829,634 ("the '634 patent"). The '634 patent was issued to The Boeing Company and is purportedly assigned to Acceleration Bay LLC ("Patent Owner"). Petitioners assert there is a reasonable likelihood that at least one claim is unpatentable and respectfully request review of, and judgment against, claims 1-18 ("the Challenged Claims") as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and/or § 102.

I. INTRODUCTION

The '634 patent is directed to a computer network in which information is broadcast from one participant to every other participant. *See, e.g.*, Ex. 1101, Abstract. In particular, the '634 patent claims the use of "flooding" to broadcast information in computer networks configured as non-complete, "*m*-regular graphs." *Id.* at 1:29-31, 4:49-5:6; cl. 1. This purported invention, however, was disclosed in printed publications that pre-date its filing date of July 31, 2000.

"Flooding" refers to a simple, reliable technique for broadcasting information, in which the sender of a message transmits it to each of its neighbors, who in turn forward the message to each of their neighbors, who themselves forward it to each of their neighbors, and so on, until every participant has received the mes-

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