UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC. Petitioner,

v.

WEST VIEW RESEARCH, LLC, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00156 Patent 8,296,146

PATENT OWNER WEST VIEW RESEARCH, LLC'S
REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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- I. Pursuant to the Board's May 13, 2016 Scheduling Order (Paper 8), Patent Owner West View Research, LLC respectfully requests oral argument pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70, currently scheduled for February 7, 2017. Patent owner requests oral argument on whether the Patent Owner's Motion to Amend meets the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §316, and 37 C.F.R. §42.121, including that:
 - A. Patent Owner's proposed substitute claims do not enlarge the scope of the original claims;
 - B. Patent Owner does not present an unreasonable number of substitute claims;
 - C. Patent Owner's proposed substitute claims are responsive to the alleged grounds of unpatentability in this proceeding; and
 - D. Patent Owner's proposed substitute claims are patentable under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, 103, and 112.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE (37 C.F.R. §42.6(e))

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