Paper 8

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC., Petitioner,

v.

TACTILE FEEDBACK TECHNOLOGY, LLC, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00206 Patent 7,973,773 B2

Before BRYAN F. MOORE, DAVID C. McKONE, and FRANCES L. IPPOLITO, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

McKONE, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER

Joint Motion to Terminate 35 U.S.C. § 317; 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.72, 42.74



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On February 9, 2016, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Terminate Proceeding on the basis of a settlement reached by the parties. Paper 6. The parties further filed a true copy of a Settlement and License Agreement (Ex. 1029) and a Joint Request to Treat Settlement Agreement as Business Information and Keep Separate under 35 U.S.C. § 317 (Paper 7). The above filings were authorized pursuant to an email sent by the Board on February 4, 2016.

This proceeding is in an early stage and no decision whether to institute *inter partes* review has been made. Additionally, the parties represent that

(1) [the parties] have reached an agreement resolving the dispute involving the patent at issue in this IPR; (2) termination of the IPR is requested prior to a Decision on Institution of the IPR; (3) the prior litigation between the Parties in connection with the patent at issue has been dismissed; (4) the Parties do not foresee any future litigation between them relating to the patent at issue in this IPR; and (5) there are no other petitioners to this IPR other than Samsung Electronics America, Inc.

Paper 6, 2. Based on the facts of the instant proceeding, it is appropriate to terminate. Therefore, the joint motion to terminate the instant proceeding is *granted*.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the joint motion to terminate the instant proceeding is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties' joint request that the Settlement and License Agreement (Ex. 1029) be treated as business confidential information, kept separate from the file of U.S. Patent No. 7,973,773 B2, and made available only to Federal Government agencies on



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written request, or to any person on a showing of good cause, under the provisions 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the proceeding is *terminated*.

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