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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ARTHREX, INC. and SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.,

V.

Petitioners

VITE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC
Patent Owner

Case IPR2016-00382 U.S. Patent No. 6,168,598 B1

PATENT OWNER'S REQUEST FOR ADVERSE JUDGMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)

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ARGUMENT

The Board instituted review in the above-captioned proceeding for claims 21, 25-27, 29, 30, 38 and 39 of U.S. Patent No. 6,168,598 B1. Institution Decision, Paper No. 7 at 19-20. Claims 21, 25-27, 29, 30 and 38 of U.S. Patent No. 6,168,598 B1 are also subject to *Ex Parte* Reexamination No. 90/013/580, where the Office has rejected or cancelled the majority of the original claims at issue in the present proceeding, and the patent owner has submitted new and amended claims that remain pending in the reexamination proceeding.

"A party may request judgment against itself at any time during a proceeding." 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)(2). Accordingly, Vite Technologies respectfully requests judgment against itself, and asks that the Board cancel the only claims remaining in this proceeding (claims 21, 25-27, 29, 30, 38 and 39) and enter adverse judgment against it as to those remaining claims.

RELIEF REQUESTED

In view of the cancellation of all claims remaining in this proceeding, the patent owner, Vite Technologies, respectfully requests the Board enter a final adverse judgment against Vite Technologies on the claims remaining in this case (claims 21, 25-27, 29, 30, 38 and 39) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)(2).



Inter Partes Review of Patent No. 6,168,598 B1 Case No. IPR2016-00382

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Certificate of Service in Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e)(4)

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