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UMICORE AT & CO. KG,

Petitioner,

V.

BASF CORPORATION,

Patent Owner

Case IPR2016-00613

Patent 9,039,982

PATENT OWNER'S PRELIMINARY RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR INTER PARTES REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,039,982
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 42.120



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