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Your Honors,

Akorn does not object to HTIA's request below to submit an amicus brief in this matter.

Respectfully, Mike Dzwonczyk Counsel for Akorn, Inc.

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Your Honors,

Petitioners have no objection to the High Tech Inventors Alliance filing a brief as *amicus curiae* in this matter, as requested in Mr. Thorne's email below submitted to the Board yesterday.



## Respectfully,

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To: The Patent Trial and Appeal Board

cc: Counsel for all parties

The High Tech Inventors Alliance respectfully requests leave to file a brief as *amicus curiae* on the question presented in the motion to dismiss filed by Patent Owner Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe (Paper No. 93). The HTIA is a nonprofit corporation whose members are as follows: Adobe Systems, Inc.; Amazon.com, Inc.; Cisco Systems, Inc.; Dell Inc.; Google Inc.; Intel Corporation; Oracle Corporation; and salesforce.com, inc.

HTIA is dedicated to advancing a patent system that promotes investment in new technologies and American jobs. HTIA's members employ nearly 500,000 U.S. employees, including many of the world's most innovative computer scientists and engineers. Collectively, they spent \$63 billion in 2016 on research and development, hold over 115,000 U.S. patents, and have a market capitalization over \$1.75 trillion. As frequent users of the Patent and Trademark Office's *inter partes* review process, HTIA's members are also keenly interested in ensuring that the IPR process remains available to resolve questions of patentability in an efficient and timely manner.

The issue raised by the Tribe in its motion to dismiss—namely, whether tribal sovereign immunity applies in IPR proceedings—is exceptionally important because its resolution may prove critical to the continuing availability of the IPR process. HTIA believes that it could provide the Patent Trial and Appeal Board with a useful perspective on the legal question presented here that will help inform the Board's disposition of the motion to dismiss.

HTIA requests that it be permitted to file its brief within three weeks of the Board's decision



on this request. HTIA also asks leave to include potentially other parties on its amicus brief, but HTIA and any others joining its brief will file only a single brief. Earlier this afternoon, HTIA sent emails to counsel for all parties in this proceeding, seeking their consent to this request. Although counsel for the Patent Owner indicated that they do not consent, we have not heard back from other counsel. All counsel are copied on this email.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

John Thorne

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