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## BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PACIFIC SURF DESIGNS, INC., Petitioner,

v.

SURF WAVES, LTD., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-01454 Patent 8,088,016 B2

Record of Oral Hearing Held: November 8, 2017

Before PHILLIP J. KAUFFMAN, BEVERLY M. BUNTING, and JASON W. MELVIN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

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3	JUDGE MELVIN: Good afternoon, everyone. This is
4	the hearing in IPR2016-1454 between petitioner, Pacific Surf
5	Designs, and patent owner, Surf Waves, reviewing patent number
6	8,088,016. I'm Judge Melvin. With me is Judge Kauffman, and
7	Judge Bunting is appearing remotely from Detroit.
8	Let's get the parties' appearances, please. Who do we
9	have from petitioner?
10	MR. BRAHMA: Charanjit Brahma and backup
11	counsel, Anup Shah from Troutman Sanders.
12	JUDGE MELVIN: Thank you. And for the patent
13	owner?
14	MR. SCHINDLER: Good afternoon, Your Honors.
15	My name is Barry Schindler from the firm of Greenberg Traurig.
16	With me is Josh Malino, and behind me is Lennie Bersh and Erik
17	Squier.
18	JUDGE MELVIN: Thank you and welcome. We
19	appreciate you appearing here today and helping us understand
20	your arguments. We look forward to your presentations.
21	So the order regarding oral argument set forth the
22	procedure for today's hearing, but I would like to remind
23	everyone of the way it will work. You each have 30 minutes for
24	your presentations. And petitioner will start and may reserve
25	time for rebuttal. Please keep in mind that Judge Bunting will not

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1	be able to see what you project on the screen, but she has a copy
2	of the materials. So when you refer to an exhibit or a slide
3	number, please state for the record clearly so that we have a good
4	record and so that Judge Bunting understands what you are
5	talking about. And also remember that she can only hear when
6	you speak into the microphone.
7	Under no circumstances should you interrupt the other
8	party while that party is presenting arguments or demonstratives.
9	If you believe that something the other party is presenting is
10	objectionable, please save that for your argument time. And if it's
11	an objection during the rebuttal time, you can raise that
12	afterwards. Do either of you have any questions?
13	MR. SCHINDLER: No, Your Honor.
14	MR. BRAHMA: No, Your Honor.
15	JUDGE MELVIN: With that, we are ready if you are.
16	Petitioner, would you like to reserve time?
17	MR. BRAHMA: Yes, we would like to reserve ten
18	minutes for rebuttal, if possible.
19	JUDGE MELVIN: Okay. Whenever you are ready.
20	MR. BRAHMA: Good afternoon, Your Honors.
21	Today, as previously noted, we are talking about the claims of the
22	'016 patent. All of these claims are challenged. Two of them are
23	independent claims, 1 and 20.
24	If we go to slide 3, we see the relevant language of
25	claim 1. The highlighted limitations are the ones that are

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primarily in dispute relating to the activity section and the first
 and second curved side walls. Those limitations are substantially
 the same in both independent claims 1 and 20.

There are also a number of dependent claims that are at
issue in this IPR. None of the limitations of those dependent
claims were separately identified as a basis for validity.

7 If we go to slide 7, I would like to briefly start with the 8 claim constructions. This slide shows the different terms that 9 were construed by the Board as part of the decision to institute. Most of these limitations aren't really in dispute, aren't going to 10 11 be the basis for any of the arguments between the sides. The one 12 possible exception to that is the term "opposite", which the Board construed as on the other side from. None of these constructions 13 14 has been contested by patent owner, but as we'll see in the discussion today, patent owner is trying to read the claims as 15 16 more limited and specifically limited to, for example, a half-pipe type of ride. And one way in which they try to do that is to claim 17 that the term "opposite" means something more than it does in the 18 19 Board's construction.

So if we take a look at that first on slide 8, what we are looking at here in the image is from patent owner's infringement contentions in the related District Court litigation. The ride that is shown there is an allegedly infringing ride made by petitioner. And the boxes were included in the infringement contentions as patent owner's way of showing what parts of that ride supposedly

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