UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC.,

Petitioner,

V.

PAICE LLC and THE ABELL FOUNDATION, INC.,

Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-00229

Patent 7,237,634

JOINT REQUEST TO FILE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) AND 37 C.F.R. § 42.47(c)

Concurrently with the filing of this Request, the Petitioner and Patent Owner are filing a Joint Motion to Terminate this *inter partes review* due to settlement between the parties. A true copy of the parties' written settlement agreement is being filed concurrently as Exhibit 1012. The settlement agreement is being filed for access by the "Parties and Board Only." The settlement agreement contains business confidential information, and the parties hereby request that the settlement agreement be kept as a separate paper to be made available only under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.47(c) was served on February 2, 2017, via email upon the following:

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