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Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. and Samsung
Electronics America, Inc.
Petitioners,

v.

Papst Licensing GmbH & Co. KG.,
Patent Owner

IPR2017-00714
U.S. Patent No. 6,470,399

Patent Owner Papst's Demonstratives
Hearing Date: February 13, 2018

Overview

- Petitioners Fail To Meet Their Burden To Establish Unpatentability
 - Independent Claims 1, 11, 14
 - “whereupon the host device communicates with the interface device by means of [the specified, customary driver]
 - Proper construction in view of specification requires that the host communicates by means of the specified driver without resort to specialized, user-loaded software. (Response at 2.)
 - Aytac in view of SCSI Specification, Lin, and alleged Adm Prior Art fail to teach an interface device that communicates by means of the specified driver without resorting to specialized user-loaded software. (Response at 35.)
 - Each of Aytac’s specialized, user-loaded programs are designed to facilitate communication between the host and the CATBOX. (Response at 39.)

Claim Construction

- “whereupon the host device communicates with the interface device by means of [the specified driver]
 - Claim 1: the driver for the input/output device customary in a host device
 - Claim 11: the specific driver for the multi-purpose interface
 - Claim 14: the usual driver for the input/output device
- Specification teaches that the inventive interface device communicates by means of the specified driver, *without resort to specialized, user-loaded software.* (Response at 2.)

Claim Construction

- Consistent description in the specification of an embodiment or a limitation as being part of “the present invention” serves to limit the scope of the claims. *David Netzer Consulting Engineer LLC v. Shell Co.*, 824 F.3d 989, 994 (Fed. Cir. 2016); *see also Verizon Servs. Corp. v. Vonage Holdings Corp.*, 503 F.3d 1295, 1308 (Fed. Cir. 2007); *Honeywell Int’l, Inc. v. ITT Indus., Inc.*, 452 F.3d 1312, 1318 (Fed. Cir. 2006) (Response at 20.)
- *SciMed Life Systems v. Advanced Cardiovascular*, 242 F.3d 1337, 1341 (Fed. Cir. 2001) (“Where the specification makes clear that the invention does not include a particular feature, that feature is deemed to be outside the reach of the claims of the patent, even though the language of the claims, read without reference to the specification, might be considered broad enough to encompass the feature in question.”). (Response at 21)

The '399 Patent Teaches a Device That Does Not Rely on Specialized Software To Allow Host Device Independence

“It is an object of the present invention to provide an interface device for communication between a host device and a data transmit/receive device **whose use is host device independent** and which delivers a high data transfer rate.” (‘399 Patent at 3:24–28; Response at 22)

“The interface device **according to the present invention** therefore no longer communicates with the host device or computer by means of a specially designed driver but by means of a program which is present in the BIOS system . . . or by means of a specific program to a multi-purpose interface. . . present in all host systems so that **the interface device according to the present invention is host device-independent.**” (‘399 patent at 5:13-32; Response at 22-23)

“Using a standard interface of a host device, the interface device **according to the present invention permits communication with any host device.** By simulating an input/output device to the host device and, in a preferred embodiment, by simulating a virtual mass storage device, **the interface device is automatically supported by all known host systems without any additional sophisticated driver software . . . and, through the implementation of the present programs, independence from special software implemented on the host device.**” (‘399 patent at 12:23-40; Response at 23)

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