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1 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 2 BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD 3 4 APOTEX, INC., 5 Petitioner, 6 ۷. 7 UCB BIOPHARMA SPRL, Patent Owner. 8 9 U.S. Patent No. 8,633,194 10 Inter Partes Review No.: IPR2019-00400 11 12 13 14 15 REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS via teleconference of 16 the above-entitled cause before Judges Robert A. Pollock, Ryan H. Flax, and Kristi L.R. Sawert, 17 18 Judges of said Panel, on the 3rd day of April 2020 at the hour of 4:00 p.m. EST. 19 20 21 22 23 24 Reported by: Sandra Rocca 25 Certification No. 084-003435

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11	appeared on behalf of the Patent Owner.
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14	(All parties appeared via teleconference.)
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1	JUDGE POLLACK: Good afternoon. This
2	hearing is for IPR2019-00400. I'm Judge Pollack.
3	Judges Sawert and Flax are on the line as well. Who
4	do we have for Patent Owner UCB?
5	MR. COUNIHAN: Good afternoon, Your Honor.
6	This is Robert Counihan from Fenwick. Joined with
7	me, not in person but they should be on the line,
8	are lead counsel, James Trainor, and our associate,
9	Erica Sutter.
10	JUDGE POLLACK: Good afternoon,
11	Mr. Counihan. Who is on the line for Petitioner
12	Apotex?
13	MR. MALIK: Good afternoon, Your Honor.
14	This is Jitendra Malik from the law firm of Katten
15	and with me is Alissa Pacchioli, also from the law
16	firm of Katten.
17	JUDGE POLLACK: Good afternoon as well. I
18	understand there's a court reporter on the line,
19	correct?
20	CERTIFIED STENOGRAPHER: Yes, there is.
21	JUDGE POLLACK: Very good. Petitioner shall
22	file the transcript pursuant to the Trial Practice
23	Guide as stated in the email of I believe it was
24	earlier today.
25	MR. MALIK: Yes, sir.

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1	JUDGE POLLACK: On April 2nd, Patent Owner
2	sent us an email requesting a conference to discuss
3	"immediate expungement" of certain portions of
4	paper 43, Petitioner's motion to exclude. As we
5	understand the email, Patent Owner believes the
6	Petitioner failed to timely file objections to
7	Dr. Niazi's declaration.
8	Patent Owner, assuming for the sake of
9	argument that your allegations are correct, why do
10	you think it is necessary for the Panel to take this
11	highly unusual step of expungement rather than
12	consider the matter in due course and in light of
13	your opposition to Petitioner's motion?
14	MR. COUNIHAN: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you
15	very much for having a conference call on short
16	notice like this. It's not just timeliness, it's
17	also the detail of the objection and the form in
18	which they were provided. The rule 37 42.64 is very
19	clearly there to allow in this situation the Patent
20	Owner the opportunity to correct any issues that the
21	in the situation the Petitioner might object to.
22	And the way that Patent Owner handled this
23	situation, in our view, has substantially prejudiced
24	us. And so our belief is that given the numerous
25	procedural defects, there's no reason to even

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1	require my side to take the time to write up a
2	response or for the Board to expend judicial
3	resources considering the motion.
4	JUDGE POLLACK: Won't we be expending
5	judicial resources to consider whether or not
6	this extraordinary measure of expunging a motion
7	that's not been fully briefed?
8	MR. COUNIHAN: I understand that, Your
9	Honor. I think that the issues that we raised can
10	be considered just based on the first sentence of
11	their motion because they identified the source of
12	the objection, which is just two parts of a
13	deposition transcript where they essentially just
14	read back the regulatory provision of the CFR that
15	they moved under. And so the basis of their motion
16	is that our expert withheld material from them and
17	as a result, his opinions are unreliable.
18	However, their objection made at the
19	deposition did not identify that material that was
20	allegedly withheld. And then what they did from
21	there is they did not seek relief from the Board
22	immediately to file a motion to strike, which was
23	the motion they told us about at the deposition.
24	Nor did they file any written objections so that we
25	could then take appropriate action on our end.

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