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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD
BAYERISCHE MOTOREN WERKE, AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT & BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, LLC, Petitioner,
V.
PAICE LLC & THE ABELL FOUNDATION, INC., Patent Owner.
IPR2020-00994 Patent 7,104,347 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, and ARTHUR M. PESLAK, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PESLAK, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

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A conference call was held on September 30, 2020 between Judges Peslak, Medley, and Deshpande and counsel for Petitioner and Patent Owner. A court reporter transcribed the call.

During the call, Petitioner requested leave to file a Reply to the Patent Owner Preliminary Response to address arguments raised by Patent Owner that we should exercise our discretion to deny institution under 35 U.S.C. § 314(a). Patent Owner opposed the request but requested that, if we grant Petitioner's request, Patent Owner be allowed to file a Sur-Reply.

After consideration of the arguments of the parties and for good cause shown,

It is:

ORDERED that Petitioner may file a seven-page Reply brief limited to legal argument responding to the discretionary denial issues raised in the Patent Owner Response no later than October 7, 2020;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner may thereafter file a sevenpage Sur-Reply brief limited to legal argument no later than October 14, 2020;

FURTHER ORDERED that neither party is authorized to file any evidence in connection with the aforementioned briefs; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner shall file a copy of the court reporter's transcript of the conference call when it becomes available.



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