UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

YITA LLC, Petitioner,

v.

MACNEIL IP LLC, Patent Owner.

IPR2020-01138 and IPR2020-01139 Patent 8,382,186 B2 IPR2020-01140 and IPR2020-01142 Patent 8,833,834 B2

Before MITCHELL G. WEATHERLY, MICHAEL L. WOODS, and ARTHUR M. PESLAK, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

WEATHERLY, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER Granting Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

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IPR2020-01138 and IPR2020-01139 (Patent 8,382,186 B2) IPR2020-01140 and IPR2020-01142 (Patent 8,833,834 B2)

I. BACKGROUND

On October 8, 2020, with prior authorization, Patent Owner filed its Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel ("Motion" or "Mot.") in each of the above-captioned proceedings. Paper 9.¹

Patent Owner moves to withdraw Michele Bosch, David Reese, and Nicholas Cerulli as counsel and substitute David G. Wille as lead counsel and Chad C. Walters and Clarke W. Stavinoha as backup counsel. Mot. 2. Mr. Wille is a registered practitioner. *Id.* Patent Owner also notes that Jefferson Perkins shall remain as backup counsel. *Id.* at 3. Patent Owner attests that: "reasonable steps have been taken to 'avoid foreseeable prejudice to the rights of the client, including giving due notice to his or her client, [and] allowing time for employment of another practitioner." *Id.* Petitioner does not oppose the Motion. *Id.* Patent Owner has already filed updated Mandatory Notices in accordance with Rule 42.8(a)(3) reflecting the requested changes in its representation. Paper 8.²

II. ORDER

For the reasons given, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel is *granted* in each of the four proceedings captioned above.

¹ Our citations to the record will be to IPR2020-01138. Patent Owner filed a materially identical motion in IPR2020-01139, IPR2020-01140, and IPR2020-01142. Paper 7 in each proceeding.

² Patent Owner filed a materially identical Notice in IPR2020-01139, IPR2020-01140, and IPR2020-01142. Paper 9 in each proceeding.

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