

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY LTD.,
Petitioner,

v.

GODO KAISHA IP BRIDGE 1,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2019-00046
Patent No. 6,346,736

Before DAVID C. McKONE, SHEILA F. McSHANE, and
SCOTT E. BAIN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

BAIN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Dismissal of the Proceedings
35 U.S.C. § 317(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74

On January 29, 2019, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(a), the parties filed a Joint Motion To Dismiss and Terminate The Proceedings in this case. Paper 6. Accompanying the motion, the parties filed a copy of a settlement agreement (“Settlement Agreement”), along with a Joint Request To File Settlement Agreement As Business Confidential Information, to be kept separate from the file of the involved patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74. Ex. 1012; Paper 7. We previously authorized the filing of these papers.

These proceedings are at an early stage. The Board has not yet determined whether to institute trial. Under these circumstances, we determine that it is appropriate to dismiss the petition. See 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a). This paper does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

As requested by the parties, the Settlement Agreement will be treated as business confidential information and kept separate from the patent file. 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Dismiss and Terminate IPR2018-00046, is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties’ Joint Request to have their Settlement Agreement treated as business confidential information, to be kept separate from the patent files, is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review in IPR2018-00046 is *dismissed*.

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