

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

HOPEWELL PHARMA VENTURES, INC.,
Petitioner

v.

ARES TRADING S.A.,
Patent Owner

Case IPR2023-00482
U.S. Patent No. 10,849,919

**PETITIONER’S REQUEST FOR REFUND
OF THE POST-INSTITUTION FEE**

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Pursuant to the Patent and Trademark Office's Final Rule Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees, 78 Fed. Reg. 4,211, 4,233-34 (Jan. 18, 2013), Petitioner Hopewell Pharma Ventures, Inc. ("Petitioner") requests a refund in the amount of \$25,500.00 to be paid to deposit account number 19-0036.

On February 10, 2023, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review seeking review of claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14-16, 18-20, 23-27, 30, and 33-34 of U.S. Patent No. 10,849,919 (assigned case number IPR2023-00482) (Paper 2). On August 15, 2023, the Parties filed a Joint Motion to Terminate the Proceeding (Paper 10) prior to institution of trial, which the Board granted on August 16, 2023 (Paper 12). Trial was never instituted in this proceeding.

The Rules provide for a refund of the institution fee if the Board does not institute trial. Payment of the \$25,500.00 post-institution fee under 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2) in this proceeding was processed through P-TACTS on February 10, 2023.

Relief requested:

Accordingly, Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of \$25,500.00 for the post-institution fee that it has paid to the USPTO in connection with this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I certify that the above-captioned **PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR
REFUND OF THE POST-INSTITUTION FEE** was served in its entirety on
September 6, 2023, upon the following parties via electronic mail:

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