UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ZTE (USA) Inc.,

Petitioner,

v.

WSOU Investments LLC D/B/A Brazos Lighting and Development,

Patent Owner.

Case IPR2023-00499
Patent No. 7,872,973

REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES
FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW OF
U.S. PATENT NO. 7,872,973

On February 10, 2023, ZTE (USA) Inc. (Petitioner) filed a petition for *inter partes* review of claims 1-31 of U.S. Patent No. 7,872,973 (Paper No. 1). On August 21, 2023, Petitioner and WSOU Investments LLC D/B/A Brazos Lighting and Development (Patent Owner) filed a joint motion to terminate this proceeding (Paper No. 9). On August 23, 2023, the Board issued an order granting the joint motion to terminate this proceeding (Paper No. 12). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2), the post-institution fees paid at the time of filing should be returned. Petitioner hereby requests a refund of $30,750.00 for the post-institution fees in the case of IPR2023-0499.

The payment was provided via deposit account and processed in P-TACTS on February 10, 2023. Upon review and approval of this request, we respectfully request the Board credit the requested amount to Petitioner. The amount may be deposited into PTO Account No. 06-0916. If more information is necessary to refund payment, please contact Lionel M. Lavenue.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 25, 2023

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing **REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,872,973** was served on August 25, 2023 via email directed to counsel of record for the Patent Owner at the following:

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