

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CURRENT LIGHTING SOLUTIONS, LLC d/b/a GE CURRENT,
Petitioner,

v.

JIAXING SUPER LIGHTING ELECTRIC APPLIANCE CO., LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-00675 (Patent 10,897,801 B2)
IPR2023-00676 (Patent 9,939,140 B2)
IPR2023-00979 (Patent 11,112,068 B2)
IPR2023-00980 (Patent 9,945,520 B2)
IPR2023-00984 (Patent 9,841,174 B2)¹

Before BRIAN J. McNAMARA, NEIL T. POWELL,
JULIET MITCHELL DIRBA, and IFTIKHAR AHMED, *Administrative
Patent Judges.*²

DIRBA, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

DECISION
Settlement Prior to Institution of Trial
37 C.F.R. § 42.74

¹ This Order addresses an issue common to these proceedings, so we exercise our discretion to issue one order to be entered in each. The parties are not authorized to use this caption.

² This is not an expanded panel of the Board; rather, the listed judges are paneled in various groups of three in these proceedings.

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With our authorization, Current Lighting Solutions, LLC d/b/a/ GE Current (“Petitioner”) and Jiaxing Super Lighting Electric Appliance Co., Ltd. (“Patent Owner”) filed a Joint Motion to Terminate in each of the above-referenced proceedings (Paper 7; “Joint Motion”), and in support, the parties filed their settlement agreement (Ex. 1021; “Agreement”).³ In the Joint Motion, the parties state that they have settled all disputes relating to the challenged patents and jointly request termination of these proceedings. Joint Motion 1–2. The parties represent that the Agreement is “[a] true and correct” copy of their settlement agreement. *Id.* at 1. In addition, the parties request that the Agreement be kept separate from the file of the involved patents and be made available only under specific conditions, as contemplated by 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). *Id.* at 2.

We *grant* the Joint Motion. We are persuaded that it is appropriate to terminate these proceedings. Also, we determine that the Agreement contains confidential information regarding the terms of settlement, and therefore, we determine that good cause exists to treat it as business confidential information pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

This Order does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

³ We cite only to the papers and exhibits in IPR2023-00675, but the parties filed substantially similar documents in the other proceedings.

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Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that the Joint Motions to Terminate (Paper 7 in IPR2023-00675; Paper 11 in IPR2023-00676; Paper 6 in IPR2023-00979; Paper 6 in IPR2023-00980; Paper 6 in IPR2023-00984) are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that IPR2023-00675, IPR2023-00676, IPR2023-00979, IPR2023-00980, and IPR2023-00984 are *terminated*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Agreement (Exhibit 1021 in IPR2023-00675; Exhibit 1039 in IPR2023-00676; Exhibit 1034 in IPR2023-00979; Exhibit 1022 in IPR2023-00980; Exhibit 1035 in IPR2023-00984) shall be kept separate from the files of U.S. Patent Nos. 10,897,801 B2, 9,939,140 B2, 11,112,068 B2, 9,945,520 B2, 9,841,174 B2, and shall be made available only to Federal Government agencies on written request, or to any person on a showing of good cause, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

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