

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

FIRST SOLAR, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

ROVSHAN SADE,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-00881
Patent 9,917,546 B2

**PETITIONER’S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES
FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW OF
U.S. PATENT NO. 9,917,546 B2**

Petitioner First Solar, Inc. (“Petitioner”) hereby requests a refund for the post-institution fees which were previously paid, comprising \$22,500.00 *inter partes* review post-institution claim fee.

On April 28, 2023, Petitioner First Solar, Inc., filed a petition for *inter partes* review of claim 1 of U.S. Patent 9,917,546 B2 (Paper 2). Petitioner paid the USPTO a total of \$41,500.00 via deposit account, which included a \$19,000.00 payment for the *inter partes* review request fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(1), and a \$22,500.00 payment for the post-institution fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2). On November 16, 2023, the Board issued an order denying institution of this proceeding (Paper No. 13). Petitioner therefore requests a refund of the \$22,500.00 for the post-institution fee that was previously paid at the time of filing in the case of IPR2023-00881.

Upon review and approval of this request, Petitioner respectfully requests the Board credit the requested amount to Petitioner’s deposit account, PTO Account No. 50-0311. If more information is necessary to refund payment, please contact Michael J. McNamara.

Dated: January 2, 2024

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 42.6(e), the undersigned certifies that on January 2, 2024, a complete and entire copy of this Petitioner Request for Refund of Post-Institution Fees was provided via email to the Patent Owner by serving the correspondence email addresses of record as follows:

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