

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.,

Petitioner,

v.

Daedalus Prime LLC,

Patent Owner.

Patent No. 11,251,281 B2
Filing Date: May 22, 2020
Issue Date: February 15, 2022

Title: CONTACT RESISTANCE REDUCTION EMPLOYING
GERMANIUM OVERLAYER PRE-CONTACT METALIZATION

Inter Partes Review No. IPR2023-01121

**REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES FOR *INTER*
PARTES REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT NO. 11,251,281 B2**

On June 22, 2023, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd., Petitioner, filed a petition for *inter partes* review of claims 1, 5-8, and 12-20 of U.S. Patent No. 11,251,281. *See* Paper No. 2. On October 27, 2023, before any decision on institution, the Board entered judgment based on settlement prior to institution of trial. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.74; Paper No. 10. Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2), the post-institution fees paid at the time of filing should be returned. Petitioner thus requests a refund of \$22,500 for the post-institution fees previously paid in this case.

The payment was provided via PTO Account No. 060916 and processed in the PTAB End To End System (PTAB E2E) on June 22, 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. 060916. If more information is necessary to provide payment, please contact counsel below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), the undersigned certifies that the foregoing,
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