

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TESLA, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

RELINK US LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2024-00389
U.S. Patent No. 9,793,755

**PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND
OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES**

Petitioner Tesla, Inc. (“Petitioner”) respectfully requests a refund of post-institution fees in the amount of \$22,500. The factual circumstances related to this request are provided below.

On January 31, 2024, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 9,793,755 (Paper 2). As required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner provided \$41,500 to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) when the Petition was filed. Petitioner’s payment included \$22,500 in post-institution fees (along with \$19,000 for the request fee).

On July 16, 2024, the Board issued a Decision Denying Institution of *Inter Partes* Review (Paper 9). Because trial was not instituted, Petitioner respectfully requests a refund of \$22,500 paid for the post-institution fees in connection with this proceeding. The refunded post-institution fees should be provided to deposit account number 50-0310 (with reference to Attorney Docket No. 103508-8002).

Dated: August 21, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 42.6(e), lead counsel for Petitioner hereby certifies that on August 21, 2024, a complete and entire copy of this PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES was served via email upon Patent Owner's lead and backup counsel in this proceeding at the following email addresses:

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