

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

GREENTHREAD, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00468 (Patent 8,421,195 B2)
IPR2024-00469 (Patent 9,190,502 B2)
IPR2024-00470 (Patent 11,121,222 B2)¹

Before KRISTEN L. DROESCH, DONNA M. PRAISS, and
MONICA S. ULLAGADDI, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

ULLAGADDI, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Conduct of Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

¹ This Order addresses similar motions filed in each of the above-captioned proceedings. We issue one Order to be filed in each proceeding. The parties are not permitted to use this style heading in any subsequent papers.

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I. BACKGROUND

In each of the above-captioned proceedings, Patent Owner and Petitioner have filed several motions to seal. The motions seek to seal papers and exhibits “in their entirety,” but propose only some redacted documents. Therefore, it is unclear if the remaining documents are actually being requested to be sealed in their entirety, or if some redacted documents were mistakenly left unfiled. Instead of denying-in-part some of these motions without prejudice, we instruct Patent Owner and Petitioner to review the filings in each proceeding and submit redacted versions of any document Patent Owner and Petitioner asked to seal in its entirety if they have not already. If there is any particular document that Patent Owner or Petitioner seeks to seal in its entirety, please specifically indicate that in the chart below and provide reason(s) why.

Based on our review of the record, only two non-party names, some product names, and dollar amounts need to be redacted. If it is Patent Owner’s or Petitioner’s view that other information is also confidential, Patent Owner or Petitioner shall indicate so in the table set forth below. It is not necessary to file a separate motion to seal for each individual paper. In the future, where it may be helpful to conserve resources, the parties shall group several papers and/or exhibits to be sealed in a single motion to seal. In cases where a Final Written Decision orders the parties to jointly propose a redacted Final Written Decision, it is not necessary to also submit a Joint Motion to Seal the Final Written Decision.

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Given the Board's limited resources, we request that Patent Owner and Petitioner jointly file a chart for each individual proceeding that identifies: as yet undecided motions to seal and corresponding oppositions, replies, and sur-replies; documents sought to be sealed by each motion; corresponding redacted versions; and information sought to be sealed. For example, in IPR2024-00468,

Undecided Motion to Seal & any Opposition, Reply, & Sur-reply	Document Sought to Be Sealed	Redacted Version	Information Sought to be Sealed
Paper 32	Paper 8 (PO's Motion for Additional Discovery)	Paper 19	Names of Potential Privies
	Paper 10 (Preliminary Response)	Paper 20	Names of Potential Privies and Their Products
	Exhibit 2011 (Licensing Agreement)	[REDACTED] Exhibit 2011	Names of Potential Privies/Names of Litigants in District Court Proceedings/Names of Petitioners in IPRs
	Exhibit 2012 (Declaration of Ryan Elliot)	[REDACTED] Exhibit 2012	Licensees/Names of Potential Privies
Paper 34	Exhibit 2034 (License Agreement)	[REDACTED] Exhibit 2034	Licensees/Names of Potential Privies
	Exhibit 2072 (Declaration of Mohan Rao)	[REDACTED] Exhibit 2072	Licensees/Names of Potential Privies
	Paper 35 (Patent Owner's Response)	Paper 37	Names of Potential Privies

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II. ORDER

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner and Petitioner are authorized to file redacted versions of documents they wish to seal that are already the subject of a motion to seal in any of the above-captioned proceedings; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner and Petitioner shall jointly file a chart that complies with this Order within 2 weeks of the entry of this Order.

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