

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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CIRRUS LOGIC, INC., OMNIVISION TECHNOLOGIES, INC., and  
TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

GREENTHREAD, LLC,  
Patent Owner.

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IPR2024-00017<sup>1</sup> (Patent 8,421,195 B2)  
IPR2024-00018<sup>2</sup> (Patent 9,190,502 B2)  
IPR2024-00019<sup>3</sup> (Patent 11,316,014 B2)

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GRANT OF GOOD CAUSE EXTENSION  
*35 U.S.C. § 316(a)(11); 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c)*

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<sup>1</sup> Texas Instruments Inc., which filed a petition in IPR2024-00771, has been joined as a petitioner in this proceeding.

<sup>2</sup> Texas Instruments Inc., which filed a petition in IPR2024-00773, has been joined as a petitioner in this proceeding.

<sup>3</sup> Texas Instruments Inc., which filed a petition in IPR2024-00774, has been joined as a petitioner in this proceeding.

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 316(a)(11), “the final determination in an inter partes review [shall] be issued not later than 1 year after the date on which the Director notices the institution of a review under this chapter, except that the Director may, for good cause shown, extend the 1-year period by not more than 6 months . . . .” The Director has delegated the authority to extend the one-year period to the Chief Administrative Patent Judge. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c) (2024). In particular, 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c) provides:

An *inter partes* review proceeding shall be administered such that pendency before the Board after institution is normally no more than one year. The time can be extended by up to six months for good cause by the Chief Administrative Patent Judge . . . .

On April 24, 2025, the Acting Director issued an Order in *Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC v. Greenthread, LLC*, IPR2023-01242; *Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC v. Greenthread, LLC*, IPR2023-01243; and *Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC v. Greenthread, LLC*, IPR2023-01244, granting Patent Owner’s requests for Director Review, vacating the Board’s final written decisions, and remanding to the Board for further proceedings in each of those cases. IPR2023-01242, Paper 94; IPR2023-01243, Paper 91; IPR2023-01244, Paper 91. Because the Acting Director’s Order entered in those cases involves matters at issue in and common to each of the instant proceedings, the Chief Administrative Patent Judge has determined in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c) that good cause exists to extend the one-year period for issuing a Final Written Decision in these proceedings, under the unique facts presented, in order to allow the Board to take any actions necessary to

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address those issues in accordance with the Acting Director's Order prior to issuance of the Final Written Decisions.

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Scott R. Boalick  
Chief Administrative Patent Judge

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