

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

YANGTZE MEMORY TECHNOLOGIES COMPANY, LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00791
Patent 10,937,806 B2

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

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) (2025). 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 November 27, 2024, the Board instituted trial in this proceeding, in which Petitioner Micron Technology, Inc. (“Micron”) challenges claims 8, 9, 11, and 12 of U.S. Patent No. 10,937,806 B2 (“the ’806 patent”). Paper 11. Two months later, on January 7, 2025, the Board instituted trial in IPR2024-00911, in which Micron challenges claim 10 of the ’806 patent. IPR2024-00911, Paper 12. Claim 8 is an independent claim. Claims 9–12 each depend from claim 1. The asserted and instituted ground in both proceedings is based on the same prior art reference, U.S. Patent Publication 2017/0179026 A1 to Toyama et al. *See* Paper 11 at 6, 38; IPR2024-00911, Paper 12 at 6–7, 49. In view of the overlap in grounds and common issues involved in determining the patentability of independent claim 8 in this proceeding and dependent claim 10, which depends from claim 8, in IPR2024-00911, an extension of the one-year deadline in this proceeding to allow alignment with the schedule in IPR2024-00911 will promote efficient resolution of the proceedings.

Accordingly, under the circumstances presented, the Acting Chief Administrative Patent Judge has determined that good cause exists, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c), to extend the one-year period for issuing the final written decision in this proceeding.

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