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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SMAXTEC INC. and
SMAXTEC ANIMAL CARE GMBH,
Petitioner,

v.

ST REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00875 (Patent 9,844,206 B2)
IPR2024-00885 (Patent 8,823,515 B2)[1]

Before SHARON FENICK, JAMIE T. WISZ, and
ANDREAS BALTATZIS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PER CURIAM.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Backup Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] The parties are not authorized to use this style caption.

ST Reproductive Technologies, LLC ("Patent Owner") filed an Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Backup Counsel in each of the above-identified proceedings pursuant to Board authorization. Paper 44 ("Motion").[2] The Motion requests withdrawing back-up counsel Jonathan M. Hernandez. *Id.* at 1. Patent Owner represents that Petitioner does not oppose the Motion. *Id.*

Patent Owner indicates that it will continue to be represented by the lead counsel of record (Daniel L. Moffett) and by the back-up counsels of record (Megan R. Mahoney and Thomas W. Landers), and indicates that it will file Updated Mandatory Notices reflecting the representation following this Order. *Id.* at 1–2; *see also* Paper 17[3] (prior Mandatory Notices designating lead and back-up counsels). Patent Owner has also provided a Power of Attorney for Daniel L. Moffett, Megan R. Mahoney, and Thomas W. Landers. Paper 16.[4]

The Motion is *granted*.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion to Withdraw Jonathan M. Hernandez in this proceeding is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8, an Updated Mandatory Notice removing Jonathan M. Hernandez as back-up counsel.

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[2] This Decision cites to papers filed in IPR2024-00875. Petitioner filed corresponding papers in the other proceedings listed above.
[3] Prior Mandatory Notices were filed in IPR2024-00885 at Paper 15.
[4] Patent Owner's Power of Attorney in IPR2024-00885 is at Paper 14.

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