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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

**SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD. AND
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.,**
Petitioners

v.

MAXELL, LTD.,
Patent Owner

Inter Partes Review No.: IPR2024-00906

U.S. Patent No. 11,445,241

**PETITIONERS' REPLY TO PATENT OWNER'S
PRELIMINARY RESPONSE**

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Pursuant to the Board’s authorization (EX3002), Petitioners file this Reply to address Patent Owner’s (“PO’s”) claim construction arguments in the related litigation, which confirm the challenged claims are unpatentable under Ground 3.

Petitioners suspected that PO might argue the claims encompass the controller selecting (choosing) between radios. Pet., 4-5. As shown in Ground 3, Dua discloses an “improved” method wherein the user indicates the controller should select between radios. *See, e.g.*, Pet., Ground 1, [1g] (explaining how Dua’s CPU 109 controls assignment of the radios), Ground 3, [1g] (incorporating from Ground 1), Ground 3, [1i] (further explaining Dua’s “improved” method wherein user indications cause the controller to select between radios).

PO has now explicitly argued in the litigation that the controller, instead of the user, can select the first radio. EX1024, 24-25 (asserting Petitioners’ construction precluding controller-based selection is “nonsensical”); EX1026, 5-6 (asserting the construction “contradicts the claim language.”). As a result, the Court preliminarily construed limitation [1i] as “plain and ordinary meaning, where the user is not required to select the particular radio.” EX1030, 3; EX1029, 1-5. PO agreed with the Court’s preliminary construction. EX1029, 70:3-4. Petitioners explained at the hearing, using EX1028, slide 113, how PO’s contentions encompass a user indicating the controller should select (choose) between radios. EX1029, 73:3-20. PO then admitted that it contends this limitation

encompasses a user indicating the controller should select between cellular and Wi-Fi radios. EX1029, 79:7-17 (erroneously referring to slide 113 as slide 130).

PO's broad interpretation and the Court's preliminary construction mean the user need not select (choose) the first radio—the user can instead indicate the controller should select between radios. This reads directly on Dua's "improved" user indications, wherein a user indicates the controller should run a program to select between radios. Pet., 58-59 (user indicates the controller should use the NFC process), 59 (user indicates the controller should use the stored profile process). In each case, it is the controller that selects (chooses) between the radios. *Id.*, 60-61.

While other grounds in the Petition apply a construction that requires the controller assign the radio indicated by the user, *see, e.g.*, Pet., 5; EX1025, 21-22, Ground 3 relies on Dua's "improved" method and establishes unpatentability under PO's interpretation and the Court's preliminary construction. Thus, the Board should institute this IPR under either construction. Finally, given PO's attempt to recapture controller-based selection that was surrendered during prosecution (EX1025, 22-24), public policy favors the Board instituting this IPR to resolve this claim construction issue as part of the intrinsic record of the challenged patent.

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