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Greetings,

Patent Owner's request that Richard Quarles be permitted to participate in the oral hearing as a LEAP practitioner is granted. Patent Owner is granted an additional fifteen minutes of argument time during the oral hearing, and reminded that the LEAP practitioner is required to have a meaningful and substantive opportunity to argue. For guidance regarding LEAP, please visit the USPTO website: www.uspto.gov/leap.

Sincerely,

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Dear Honorable Board:

We are counsel of record for Patent Owner in the above-identified inter partes review proceeding. The oral argument is scheduled for January 22, 2026 (Paper 27). Patent Owner respectfully requests that the Board allow a qualifying LEAP (Legal Experience and Advancement Program) practitioner, Richard Quarles (backup counsel, admitted *pro hac vice*) to participate in the hearing and conduct Patent Owner's oral argument with an additional 15 minutes allotted. As lead counsel, I will assist Mr. Quarles during oral argument, if necessary, and may clarify any statements on the record before the conclusion of the oral argument. Mr. Quarles' completed LEAP Practitioner Verification Form and Request for Oral Hearing Participation is attached to this email.

Thank you for your consideration. We are available at the Board's convenience to address any questions. Counsel for Petitioners are copied on this email.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian E. Ferguson
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**LEAP PRACTITIONER VERIFICATION FORM AND REQUEST FOR ORAL
HEARING PARTICIPATION**

On behalf of Patent Owner

U.S. Well Services, LLC,

Richard Quarles

requests to participate in the oral hearing in
on its scheduled date, as noted below.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Richard Quarles, certify that I am eligible to participate in the Legal Experience and Advancement Program (LEAP) program. I have three or fewer substantive oral hearing arguments before federal tribunals, including PTAB.

I certify/verify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Hearing Information

Requesting Party: U.S. Well Services, LLC

Appeal/Case/Control Number: IPR2024-01274

Hearing Date (mm/dd/yyyy): 01/22/2026

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