UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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TIKTOK INC.,
Petitioners

v.

NTECH PROPERTIES, INC.,
Patent Owner.

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Case No. IPR2024-01341
U.S. Patent No. 9,215,261

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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES

Pursuant to the Patent and Trademark Office's Final Rule Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees, 78 Fed. Reg. 4212, 4232-4234 (Jan. 18, 2013), TikTok Inc. ("Petitioner") respectfully request a refund of post-institution fees in the amount of $22,500 to be paid to Deposit Account No. 50-5708.

On August 23, 2024, Petitioners filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* review of U.S. Patent No. 9,215,261 ("the '261 patent"). (Paper 2.) On March 10, 2025, the Board entered a Decision Denying Institution of Inter Partes review. (Paper 7.) On May 27, 2025, the Director entered an Order Denying Director Review of Institution Decision. (Paper 10.) Petitioners deposited an electronic payment of $22,500 in post-institution fees pursuant to 37 CFR 42.15(a)(2) and 42.15(a)(4) for requesting review of claims 1-10 of the '261 patent.

Because the instant proceeding was not instituted, Petitioners hereby request a refund of $22,500 for the post-institution fees that they paid to the USPTO in connection with this matter. *See* 78 CFR 4233, 4234-35 (Jan 18, 2013).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 4, 2025

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.6(e), 42.105(a), the undersigned hereby certifies service on the Patent Owner of a copy of Petitioners' Request for Refund by filing these documents through the Patent Review Processing System, as well as by e-mailing copies to:

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