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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

WESTERN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

GODO KAISHA IP BRIDGE 1,
Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2024-01386
U.S. Patent No. 9,608,198

PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES

Petitioner Western Digital Technologies, Inc. requests a refund of post-institution fees in the amount of $22,500.00 to be paid to Deposit Account No. 602915.

On August 30, 2024, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 9,608,198. In accordance with the fee schedule specified in 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner deposited $41,500.00 with the USPTO at the time of filing of its Petition to cover fees associated with Petitioner's *inter partes* review request, including $22,500.00 in post-institution fees.

On March 13, 2025, the Board issued its Decision Denying Institution of *Inter Partes* Review (Paper 10). Petitioner is entitled to request a refund of the post-institution fee that was previously paid. *See, e.g.*, 78 Fed. Reg. 4212, 4233 (Jan. 18, 2013) ("The entire post-institution fee would be returned to the petitioner if the Office does not institute a review.").

Accordingly, Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of $22,500.00 for the post-institution fees paid to the USPTO in connection with this proceeding, to be paid to Deposit Account No. 602915.

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The undersigned certifies that pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), a true copy of the foregoing **PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES** is being served electronically on August 18, 2025 to the following counsel for Patent Owner to the following email addresses:

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