UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

DECENT ESPRESSO INTERNATIONAL LTD.,

Petitioner,

v.

DUVALL ESPRESSO IP ENFORCEMENT, LLC,

Patent Owner

Case IPR2024-01483
U.S. Patent No. 11,576,524

PATENT OWNER'S MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF ATTORNEY VERONIKA BALBUZANOVA PURUSANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10, Patent Owner files this motion to recognize attorney Veronika Balbuzanova *pro hac vice* in the foregoing proceeding and the foregoing motion is filed within the time limits provided for in the Order Authorizing Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission referred to in the Notice dated October 11, 2024 (the "Order") and within 21 days of service of the Petition.

Undersigned counsel is and will be the designated lead counsel, but our firm only has one qualified registered practitioner, i.e., myself, under its employment. That said, Ms. Balbuzanova, while not a registered practitioner, is highly involved and an attorney of record in *Duvall Espresso IP Enforcement, LLC v. Decent Espresso International Ltd., et al.,* 9:23-cv-81246 (S.D. Fla.), which is a pending patent infringement case ("Pending Infringement Case") involving U.S. Patent No. 11,576,524 ("the '524 Patent"). Ms. Balbuzanova has been involved in the pleading, claim construction briefing, and discovery phases of the Pending Infringing Case and is also familiar with the technology of the '524 Patent and the claims of the '524 Patent asserted in the Pending Infringement Case. Further, Patent Owner does not oppose Ms. Balbuzanova's appearing *pro hac vice* in the foregoing proceeding and has authorized power of attorney for Ms. Balbuzanova. Patent Owner's Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* admission is accompanied by an Affidavit of Veronika Balbuzanova, Esq. as required by the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing documents:

Patent Owner's Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission of Attorney Veronika Balbuzanova,

was served on October 16, 2024, by filing this document through the Patent Review Processes System as well as delivering a copy via electronic mail, as consented to by the Petitioner, directed to the attorneys of record for the Petitioner at the following addresses:

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