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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

WESTERN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

GODO KAISHA IP BRIDGE 1,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-01447 (Patent 8,405,134 B2)
IPR2024-01493 (Patent 10,680,167 B2)
IPR2024-01494 (Patent 11,968,909 B2)[1]

Before JUSTIN T. ARBES, SHEILA F. McSHANE,
MONICA S. ULLAGADDI, and JOHN D. HAMANN,
Administrative Patent Judges.[2]

PER CURIAM.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

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[1] This Order addresses issues that are the same in these proceedings, so we exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be docketed in each. The parties are not authorized to use this style.
[2] This is not an expanded panel of the Board; rather, the listed judges are paneled in various groups in these proceedings.

The parties separately emailed the Board regarding their dispute in scheduling the deposition of Petitioner's expert in the above-listed proceedings. These emails included substantive arguments in violation of our scheduling orders. *See, e.g.*, IPR2024-01447, Paper 13, 2. Thus, we did not consider the substance of these emails, but set a call with the parties. This call was held on June 13, 2025 between counsel for the parties and Judges McShane, Ullagaddi, and Hamann. A court reporter was present on the call—a copy of the transcript of the call should be filed as an exhibit in the normal course. This order memorializes the results of the call.

During the call, the parties addressed their dispute in scheduling depositions of Petitioner's expert. After discussion with the panel, the parties agreed that the depositions for IPR2024-01493 and IPR2024-01447 would be consolidated into a single deposition, with its own transcript, and comprising up to seven hours for cross-examination, four hours for redirect examination, and two hours for re-cross examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.53(c)(2).

In addition, the parties agreed that for IPR2024-01494, Petitioner's expert would be deposed on another day as part of a separate deposition, with its own transcript, and separately also comprising up to seven hours for cross-examination, four hours for redirect examination, and two hours for re-cross examination.

In addition, the parties agreed that the transcripts from each of these two separate depositions could be cross-designated for use in any of the three proceedings.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the parties should proceed as agreed on the call and memorialized above.

IPR2024-01447 (Patent 8,405,134 B2)
IPR2024-01493 (Patent 7,884,403 B2)
IPR2024-01494 (Patent 11,968,909 B2)

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