UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc.
Petitioner,

v.

Neapco Components, LLC,
Patent Owner

IPR2025-00090
U.S. Patent 11,434,958

JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MOTION TO SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

I. STATEMENT OF PRECISE RELIEF REQUESTED

Petitioner American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc. and Patent Owner Neapco Components, LLC hereby jointly request that the Board modify the briefing schedule on Petitioner's forthcoming Motion to Submit Supplemental Information, extending the deadline for Petitioner to file its motion by two (2) weeks, from July 18, 2025, to no later than August 1, 2025.

II. STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED

On July 2, 2025, the Board granted Petitioner's request to file a Motion to Submit Supplemental Information ("Motion") in the above-captioned proceeding. *See* Ex. 3002. On July 11, 2025, the Board modified the briefing schedule, extending Petitioner's deadline to file the Motion to no later than July 18, 2025. Paper 21. The deadline for Patent Owner to file any Opposition to the Motion is no later than two weeks of the Motion, and the deadline for Petitioner to file any Reply to the Opposition is no later than one week of the Opposition. *Id*. The Board also set page limitations for the briefs. *Id*.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.5(c)(2), the parties jointly request that the Board modify the briefing schedule and extend the deadline for Petitioner to file its Motion by two (2) weeks, from no later than July 18, 2025, to no later than August 1, 2025. Good causes exists for at least the following reasons. *First*, the parties are engaged in

meaningful settlement discussions to resolve their dispute over the challenged patent, U.S. Patent No. 11,434,958. The parties anticipate that, subject to approval by the Board, settlement may result in dismissal of the above-captioned IPR and obviate the need for the parties and the Board to expend further time and resources, including on motion practice. The parties also agree that an extension of time would foster their settlement discussions. *Second*, counsel for Petitioner is experiencing family-related health issues. An extension of time would assist counsel for Petitioner in preparing, reviewing, and filing the Motion as he handles these personal matters.

III. CONCLUSION

Petitioner and Patent Owner respectfully jointly request that the Board grant an extension of time to file Petitioner's Motion to Submit Supplemental Information in this proceeding.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.6(e), the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MOTION TO SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION, were served on July 17, 2025 by filing this document through the P-TACTS platform as well as by delivering a copy via the delivery method indicated to the attorneys of record for the Patent Owner as follows:

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