

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.,
Petitioner

v.

WSOU INVESTMENTS, LLC,
d/b/a BRAZOS LICENSING AND DEVELOPMENT,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-00241
U.S. Patent No. 8,441,721

**PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND
OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES**

Petitioner Cisco Systems, Inc. ("Petitioner") hereby files its request for a refund of post-institution fees in the amount of \$22,500.00 which was previously paid. On December 2, 2024, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 8,441,721 and as required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), paid the USPTO a total of \$41,500.00, which included a \$19,000.00 payment for the *inter partes* review request fee, and a \$22,500.00 payment for the post-institution fee for up to twenty (20) claims.

On February 17, 2025, Petitioner and Patent Owner filed a Joint Motion to Terminate *Inter Partes* Review (Paper 6) and on February 26, 2025, the Board issued a Decision of Settlement Prior to Institution of Trial (Paper 7). Accordingly, the *inter partes* review was never instituted.

Therefore, because the petition to institute *inter partes* review was filed after March 19, 2013, and the proceeding did not institute, Petitioner is entitled to request a refund of the post-institution fee that was previously paid. *See, e.g.*, 78 FR 4233 (Jan. 18, 2013) ("The entire post-institution fee would be returned to the petitioner if the Office does not institute a review.").

Petitioner hereby requests a refund of the \$22,500.00 post-institution fees previously paid by Petitioner. The refund may be deposited in Deposit Account No.08-1394 of Haynes and Boone, LLP under attorney reference number 43614.479US01.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on the Patent Owner as detailed below:

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