

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CAMBRIDGE INDUSTRIES USA, INC.,

Petitioner

v.

APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.,

Patent Owner

Case: IPR2025-00437

U.S. Patent No. 10,788,690

PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70(a), Petitioner respectfully requests oral argument on the issues set forth below at a time set by the Board. The oral argument in this proceeding is presently scheduled for June 4, 2026. Petitioner also respectfully requests that the oral argument be held in person at the USPTO headquarters in Alexandria. Petitioner specifies, without intent to waive consideration of any issue not requested, the following issues to be argued:

1. Whether Claims 1-10 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Chinese Patent No. CN 208421455U (“Wang”);
2. Whether Claims 11-19 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Wang in view of U.S. Patent No. 9,563,073 (“Xiong”);
3. Any claim constructions, unpatentability grounds, or other issues raised in the Petition or Petitioner Reply, the Patent Owner Preliminary Response, Patent Owner Response, the Patent Owner Sur-Reply, or the Board’s Institution Decision;
4. Any procedural and evidentiary issues raised by the parties, including issues regarding motions to exclude or motions to strike that may be filed or pending;
5. Any additional issue the parties raise or propose to raise at or before oral argument; and
6. Any issues otherwise raised by the Board.

Petitioner requests that it be permitted to argue first. Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide November 2019, Section II(M) (Nov. 2019) (“At the oral hearing, a petitioner generally will argue first, followed by the patent owner, after which a rebuttal may be given by the petitioner.”).

Petitioner has conferred with Patent Owner’s counsel and both parties submit that forty-five (45) minutes per side is sufficient to present the parties’ arguments to the Board.

Petitioner requests authorization to present demonstratives and exhibits during oral argument and requests the ability to use audiovisual equipment to display those demonstrative exhibits, including the use of a document camera, computer, projector, and screen.

Petitioner requests the services of a court reporter to transcribe the proceeding.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.6(e), 42.105, the undersigned hereby certifies that true and correct copies of the above-captioned PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT will be served in its entirety on April 13, 2026, upon the Patent Owner at the correspondence address of record for the subject patent as listed on the USPTO's Patent Center via Priority Mail Express®:

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