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BEFORE THE OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DIRECTOR OF THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

IARNACH TECHNOLOGIES LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-00473
Patent 9,674,035 B2

Before COKE MORGAN STEWART, *Acting Under Secretary of
Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States
Patent and Trademark Office.*

DECISION
Denying Institution of *Inter Partes* Review

Iarnach Technologies LTD (“Patent Owner”) filed a request for discretionary denial (Paper 7, “DD Req.”) in the above-captioned case, and Charter Communications, Inc. (“Petitioner”) filed an opposition (Paper 9, “DD Opp.”).

After considering the parties’ arguments and the record, and in view of all relevant considerations, discretionary denial of institution is appropriate in this proceeding. This determination is based on the totality of the evidence and arguments the parties have presented.

In particular, the projected final written decision due date in the Board proceeding is August 27, 2026. DD Req. 5. The district court’s scheduled trial date is February 9, 2026. *Id.* at 4. Although the court has granted the parties’ Joint Motion to Stay Case Pending Resolution of License Defense, the stay is limited to 60 days from the grant of the order. Ex. 1016. Even if the district court trial is delayed by 60 days, it is unlikely that a final written decision in this proceeding will issue before the district court trial occurs.

Further, Petitioner has not offered a stipulation to address concerns of duplicative efforts and potentially conflicting decisions. *See* DD Req. 12. The absence of such a stipulation tips the balance in favor of discretionary denial.

Although certain arguments are highlighted above, the determination to exercise discretion to deny institution is based on a holistic assessment of all of the evidence and arguments presented. Accordingly, the Petition is denied under 35 U.S.C. § 314(a).

In consideration of the foregoing, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner’s request for discretionary denial is *granted*; and

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FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition is *denied*, and no trial is instituted.

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