

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE LLC
Petitioner,

v.

CARDWARE INC.
Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2025-01514
U.S. Patent No. 11,176,538

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

On September 4, 2025, Google LLC. (“Petitioner”) filed a petition for *inter partes* review of U.S. Patent No. 11,176,538 with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. In accordance with the fee schedule specified in 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner deposited an electronic payment at the time of filing of the petition, including \$27,040 for fees associated with Petitioner’s request for review and a further \$34,705 for post-institution fees. On January 9, 2026, the Board entered a Notice of Decision on Institution denying institution after review of discretionary considerations. Therefore, Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of \$34,705 to be paid to Deposit Account Number 50-2613 for the post-institution fees, which are no longer necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 26, 2026

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 26, 2026, a copy of the foregoing Petitioner's Request for Refund of Post-Institution Fees was served by e-mail upon the following:

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