UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

APPLE INC.,
Petitioner

v.

HBCU MESSAGING US LP,
Patent Owner

Case IPR2026-00109
Patent 11,012,827

PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES

Pursuant to the Patent and Trademark Office's Final Rule Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees, 78 Fed. Reg. 4212, 4232–4234 (Jan. 18, 2013), Petitioner, Apple Inc., requests a refund in the amount of 28,125 to be credited to Deposit Account Number 06-1050.

On November 4, 2025, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 11,012,827 with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board that was assigned case number IPR2026-00109. In accordance with the fee schedule specified in 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner deposited an electronic payment in the amount of $23,750 with the Board at the time of filing its Petition to cover associated fees with Petitioner's *inter partes* review request, and $28,125 in Post-Institution fees.

On April 14, 2026, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board entered a Decision denying institution of this proceeding. Accordingly, Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of $28,125 for the post-institution fees that it has paid to the USPTO and requests that the refund be credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 42.6(e), the undersigned certifies that on June 3, 2026, a complete and entire copy of this Petitioner's Request for Refund of Post-Institution Fees was provided via email to the Patent Owner by serving the correspondence email addresses of record as follows:

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