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Paper 14
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

APTIV TECHNOLOGIES AG,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00228 (Patent 9,619,420 B2)
IPR2024-00229 (Patent 9,645,962 B2)
IPR2024-00230 (Patent 11,176,072 B2)
PGR2024-00011 (Patent 11,681,643 B2)

Before JEAN R. HOMERE, TERRENCE W. McMILLIN, and JOHN D. HAMANN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

McMILLIN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

On the same day that the Petitions were filed, Petitioner filed a Motion to File Confidential Document Under Seal (Paper 3, "Motion") in each of these proceedings.[1] In the Motion, Petitioner requests sealing the entirety of Exhibit 1072, which comprises 597 pages. Motion 1. The Motion states that Exhibit 1072 "contains highly detailed, sensitive, confidential, and non-public information concerning the design, development, functionality, and operation of various Microchip USB hub products ('Microchip Accused Products')." *Id.*

Exhibit 1072 is listed in the exhibit list included in the Petition (Pet. vii), but is not discussed, relied on, referred to, or cited in the Petition (*see id.* generally). We also could not find any discussion, reliance on, reference to, or citation of Exhibit 1072 in any other filed paper (except, of course, the Motion). As such, the relevancy of Exhibit 1072 and the need for having this confidential document in the record is not apparent. It is our intention to expunge Exhibit 1072 from the record, and deny the Motion as moot, unless Petitioner can establish why Exhibit 1072 should be maintained in the record at this time.

Accordingly, it is hereby:

ORDERED that, in each of the above-captioned proceedings, Petitioner shall file, within 10 days and limited to 5 pages, a paper to show cause why Exhibit 1072 should not be expunged from the record and the Motion (Paper 3) denied as moot; OR, in the alternative, Petitioner shall file

[1] We refer to the papers and exhibits in IPR2024-00228. Similar documents were filed in IPR2024-00229, IPR2024-00230, and PGR2024-00011. This Order applies equally to all captioned proceedings.

a paper, within 3 days and limited to 3 pages, indicating that it does not object to Exhibit 1072 being expunged and to denial of its Motion (Paper 3) as moot; and

FURTHER ORDERED that, in each of the above-captioned proceedings, Patent Owner, Aptiv Technologies AG, is authorized, but not required, to file a response to the paper filed by Petitioner pursuant to this Order within 10 days after its filing and limited to 5 pages.

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