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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PETROLEUM GEO-SERVICES INC, Petitioner,

v.

WESTERNGECO LLC,

Patent Owner.

Cases¹ IPR2014-00678 (Patent 6,691,038) IPR2014-00687 (Patent 7,162,967) IPR2014-00688 (Patent 7,080,607)

IPR2014-00689 (Patent 7,293,520)

Before BRYAN F. MOORE, SCOTT A. DANIELS, and BEVERLY M. BUNTING, Administrative Patent Judges.

> **ORDER** Conduct of the Proceedings 37 C.F.R. § 42.5

¹ This Order addresses an issue that is the same in all four cases. Therefore, we exercise our discretion to issue one Decision to be filed in each case. The parties are not authorized to use this style heading for any subsequent papers.

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On September 4, 2014, Petroleum Geo-Services Inc. (Petitioner) filed a notice regarding discovery. The notice included the transcript of an August 27, 2014 call with the Panel regarding additional discovery. The Panel requested that this transcript be filed on in these cases. The notice also contained a copy of the discovery exchanged by the parties. Discovery is not routinely files in an *inter partes* review and the Panel did not request or authorize this discovery to be filed in these cases. Therefore, the Panel orders that the notice be expunged and refiled without the attached discovery.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that, notice concerning the status of discovery filed September 4, 2014 (IPR2014-00678 Paper 24, IPR2014-00687 Paper 23, IPR2014-00688 Paper 23, IPR2014-00689 Paper 23) is expunged;

FURTHER ORDERED that the notice concerning the status of discovery filed September 4, 2014 be refiled with the transcript of the August 27 phone conference as the only attachment.

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