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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P., CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS, and AT&T MOBILITY LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

ADAPTIX, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00823
Case IPR2016-00824
Patent 8,934,375 B2

Before KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, TREVOR M. JEFFERSON, and J. JOHN LEE, *Administrative Patent Judges.*

DESHPANDE, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

SCHEDULING ORDER

A. DUE DATES

This order sets due dates for the parties to take action after institution of the proceeding. The parties may stipulate to different dates for DUE DATES 1 through 5 (earlier or later, but no later than DUE DATE 6). A notice of the stipulation, specifically identifying the changed due dates, must be promptly filed. The parties may not stipulate to an extension of DUE DATES 6 and 7.

In stipulating to different times, the parties should consider the effect of the stipulation on times to object to evidence (37 C.F.R. § 42.64(b)(1)), to supplement evidence (37 C.F.R. § 42.64(b)(2)), to conduct cross-examination (37 C.F.R. § 42.53(d)(2)), and to draft papers depending on the evidence and cross-examination testimony (*see* section B, below).

The parties are reminded that the Testimony Guidelines appended to the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756, 48,772 (Aug. 14, 2012) (Appendix D), apply to this proceeding. The Board may impose an appropriate sanction for failure to adhere to the Testimony Guidelines. 37 C.F.R. § 42.12. For example, reasonable expenses and attorneys' fees incurred by any party may be levied on a person who impedes, delays, or frustrates the fair examination of a witness.

1. DUE DATE 1

The patent owner may file—

a. A response to the petition (37 C.F.R. § 42.120), and

b. A motion to amend the patent (37 C.F.R. § 42.121).

The patent owner must file any such response or motion to amend by DUE DATE 1. If the patent owner elects not to file anything, the patent owner

must arrange a conference call with the parties and the Board. The patent owner is cautioned that any arguments for patentability not raised in the response will be deemed waived.

2. DUE DATE 2

The petitioner must file any reply to the patent owner's response and opposition to the motion to amend by DUE DATE 2.

3. DUE DATE 3

The patent owner must file any reply to the petitioner's opposition to patent owner's motion to amend by DUE DATE 3.

4. DUE DATE 4

a. Each party must file any motion for an observation on the cross-examination testimony of a reply witness (*see* section C, below) by DUE DATE 4.

b. Each party must file any motion to exclude evidence (37 C.F.R § 42.64(c)) and any request for oral argument (37 C.F.R. § 42.70(a)) by DUE DATE 4.

5. DUE DATE 5

a. Each party must file any response to an observation on cross-examination testimony by DUE DATE 5.

b. Each party must file any opposition to a motion to exclude evidence by DUE DATE 5.

6. DUE DATE 6

Each party must file any reply for a motion to exclude evidence by DUE DATE 6.

7. DUE DATE 7

Oral argument (if requested by either party) is set for DUE DATE 7.

B. CROSS-EXAMINATION

Except as the parties might otherwise agree, for each due date—

1. Cross-examination begins after any supplemental evidence is due. 37 C.F.R. § 42.53(d)(2).

2. Cross-examination ends no later than a week before the filing date for any paper in which the cross-examination testimony is expected to be used. *Id*.

C. MOTION FOR OBSERVATION ON CROSS-EXAMINATION

A motion for observation on cross-examination provides the parties with a mechanism to draw the Board's attention to relevant cross-examination testimony of a reply witness because no further substantive paper is permitted after the reply. *See* Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756, 48,768 (Aug. 14, 2012). The observation must be a concise statement of the relevance of precisely identified testimony to a precisely identified argument or portion of an exhibit. Each observation should not exceed a single, short paragraph. The opposing party may respond to the observation. Any response must be equally concise and specific.

D. MOTION TO AMEND

Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.24 and 42.121, a motion to amend, if filed in this proceeding, as well as petitioner's opposition to the motion to amend, each are limited to twenty-five (25) pages; patent owner's reply to the opposition to the motion to amend is limited to twelve (12) pages; and the claim listing may be contained in an appendix to the motion to amend, and does not count toward the page limit of the motion. *See* Amendments to the Rules of Practice for Trials Before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, 80 Fed. Reg. 28,561, 28,565–66 (Final Rule) (May 19, 2015).

E. PETITIONER'S REPLY

Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.24(c), petitioner's reply brief to patent owner response is limited to twenty-five (25) pages. *See* Amendments to the Rules of Practice for Trials Before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, 80 Fed. Reg. at 28,565.

DUE DATE APPENDIX

INITIAL CONFERENCE CALL ..... **Upon Request**

DUE DATE 1 ..... **December 20, 2016**

Patent owner's response to the petition

Patent owner's motion to amend the patent

DUE DATE 2 ..... **March 20, 2017**

Petitioner's reply to patent owner's response to petition

Petitioner's opposition to motion to amend

DUE DATE 3 ..... **April 20, 2017**

Patent owner's reply to petitioner's opposition to motion to amend

DUE DATE 4 ..... **May 11, 2017**

Motion for observation regarding cross-examination of reply witness

Motion to exclude evidence

Request for oral argument

DUE DATE 5 ..... **May 25, 2017**

Response to observation

Opposition to motion to exclude

DUE DATE 6 ..... **June 1, 2017**

Reply to opposition to motion to exclude

DUE DATE 7 ..... **June 15, 2017**

Oral argument (if requested)

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