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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 JUDGE CHAGNON: Good afternoon. This is
- 3 Judge Chagnon. I also have Judges Arbes and
- 4 Fitzpatrick on the line with me today.
- 5 This a conference call for IPR 2016-01376,
- 6 01377, 01378, and 01379.
- 7 I just want to check whether we have someone
- 8 from both parties on the line today. Who do we have
- 9 for Petitioner?
- 10 MR. JIRON: Hi, Your Honor. This is Darren
- 11 Jiron. I'm with the law firm of Finnegan,
- 12 representing TSMC, the Petitioner, and with me today
- 13 are my colleagues, J.P. Long and Josh Goldberg.
- MR. BAUGHMAN: Hi, Your Honor. For Patent
- 15 Owner, it's Steve Baughman from Ropes & Gray, and my
- 16 colleagues Andrew Thomases and Jordan Rossen are on
- 17 the line.
- JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you, and do we have a
- 19 court reporter on the line?
- 20 COURT REPORTER: Yes. My name is Catherine
- 21 Crump.
- JUDGE CHAGNON: All right. So I'll just ask

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- 1 whichever party requested the court reporter to be on
- 2 line today to just go ahead and file the transcript
- 3 as an exhibit after the call.
- 4 MR. JIRON: We will, Your Honor. Thank you.
- 5 JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you. I'm sorry. Who
- 6 was that?
- 7 MR. JIRON: That was Darren Jiron for
- 8 Petitioner.
- 9 JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you so much.
- 10 All right. So I believe Petitioner requested
- 11 this call today. So we'll hear from Petitioner
- 12 first.
- MR. JIRON: Thank you, Your Honor. This is
- 14 Darren Jiron and we requested the call and thank you
- 15 for accommodating the call today.
- There were two issues that we wanted to
- 17 address. The first one related to a request for
- 18 leave to file a motion to correct a typographical
- 19 error in an exhibit, and the second was a motion for
- 20 leave to file a reply to the Patent Owner Preliminary
- 21 Response.
- 22 If it would be okay with Your Honor, I could

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- 1 proceed with the typographical error issue first.
- JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. That works.
- 3 MR. JIRON: Okay. So the typographical error
- 4 that occurred is in Exhibit 1002 and that appeared in
- 5 the same numbered exhibit in each one of the four IPR
- 6 proceedings.
- 7 Specifically, the typographical error is in
- 8 Appendix B of Exhibit 1002, and Appendix B starts at
- 9 page 126 of the PDF for Exhibit 1002. Specifically
- 10 on page B-10 of Appendix B, there was a sentence that
- 11 appears in the middle of the cell of the claim chart,
- 12 and the sentence currently reads:
- "A person of ordinary skill in the art would
- 14 have understood that Etching Layer 12 under such
- 15 circumstances concurrently etches Layer 58, because
- 16 the two layers have similar etched properties."
- 17 And the typographical error that occurred in
- 18 this sentence was with the number 58. Specifically,
- 19 No. 58 should have been No. 62 to refer to the
- 20 appropriate layer that was being addressed.
- 21 As evidence that it was a typographical
- 22 error, one could look to other areas of the same

- 1 cell. For example, the last sentence of the cell
- 2 indicates that the two layers being addressed as
- 3 being concurrently etched are Photoresist Layer 62
- 4 and Dielectric Layer 12. That was the ultimate
- 5 conclusion of this section of the claim chart and it
- 6 was clearly talking about Layers 62 and 12.
- 7 Additionally, in the second to the last
- 8 paragraph, it's talking about, again, the layers of
- 9 the etch as being Layer 62 and Layer 12. If you look
- 10 back on page B-9, there was actually -- in the
- 11 language of the claim itself, it refers to the two
- 12 layers that were supposed to be concurrently etched
- 13 as being the second dielectric area and the second
- layer of resist, and to make it clear which layers
- 15 are being discussed, the expert has color coding on
- 16 the claim language.
- 17 The second dielectric layer appears in blue
- and that matches up with Layer 12, and the second
- 19 layer of resist, the layer that was being
- 20 concurrently etched, that has been designated as pink
- 21 in the claim language, and that matches up with Layer
- 22 62, the pink layer.

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- 1 So given those indications, there's ample
- 2 support to show that when the expert said Layer 58 in
- 3 the third to the last paragraph on page B-10, he
- 4 actually intended to say Layer 62 to be consistent
- 5 with the rest of the patent.
- 6 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Thank you.
- 7 We'll stay on this issue, and I believe in
- 8 the E-mail, Patent Owner also said they opposed this
- 9 request. So we'll hear from Patent Owner on this
- 10 issue before we move on.
- 11 MR. BAUGHMAN: Thanks, Your Honor. It's
- 12 Steve Baughman for Patent Owner.
- 13 Respectfully, we don't agree, as the
- 14 Petitioner argued in its E-mail, that changing this
- 15 testimony to refer to a different layering grill, 62
- instead of 58, is merely a typographical error
- indicated by the document itself, and to begin with,
- 18 I think it's helpful to bear in mind what the
- 19 Petitioner is arguing about, and I think maybe the
- 20 path that it took us to get to this page is
- 21 illustrative of this.
- 22 This is not, actually, an argument in the

- 1 petition or even an argument in the body of the
- 2 declaration of Petitioner's Dr. Smith. It's a line
- 3 in this appendix claim chart to a declaration that's
- 4 incorporated by reference into the petition without
- 5 any substantive discussion.
- 6 So they're asking permission on this call to
- 7 modify an opinion that affects no argument that's
- 8 actually stated in the petition, and we pointed that
- 9 out in our Patent Owner Preliminary Response.
- 10 We've also actually briefed the particular
- 11 argument that is in the middle of the cell that
- 12 counsel was speaking of here. There is certainly
- 13 mention of Photoresist Layer 62 in this cell, and I
- 14 would point out that every time Dr. Smith talks about
- 15 that Layer 62, he calls it Photoresist Layer 62.
- 16 So it's not a mere substitution of numbers
- 17 here. It's an intermediate argument about
- 18 composition of layers. If you look elsewhere in the
- 19 chart, there are other places where the composition
- 20 of Layer 58 is discussed as well. It's not a random
- 21 number, but one of the elements of the figures, one
- 22 of the layers discussed in this cell.

- 1 It's repeated in all four declarations that
- 2 Dr. Smith signed. So allowing this change of numbers
- 3 would substantively alter the layers we're talking
- 4 about and it would alter the briefing we've already
- 5 submitted about this argument about composition.
- 6 Respectfully, we also don't see any support
- 7 in the provisional application for arguing that Layer
- 8 62 has the similar etched property that's referred to
- 9 in this paragraph that talks about Layer 58.
- 10 There's, of course, no citation at the end of that
- 11 paragraph to begin with.
- So we don't agree that this is merely a typo
- 13 that wouldn't alter the substantive course of the
- 14 briefing to date. Again, we've briefed -- if you
- 15 look at our Patent Owner preliminary response in the
- 16 1376 matter, for example, Paper 6 at pages 28 to 30,
- 17 we've talked about this argument as they made it.
- 18 If they were permitted to change the basis of
- 19 their petition on this ground, we would certainly
- 20 need an opportunity to analyze and consider possible
- 21 expert testimony about it and file an additional
- 22 response to this portion of their argument, but

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- 1 that's really not appropriate here. It would be
- 2 prejudicial to ask us to do that at this point in the
- 3 proceeding, especially while the clock is ticking on
- 4 institution decisions here.
- 5 IP Bridge and our experts and counsel are
- 6 actively engaged in the other board matters and
- 7 litigation matters. They waited a couple of weeks
- 8 here, more than two weeks, to raise this issue after,
- 9 I suppose, reading about it in our Patent Owner
- 10 Preliminary Response before even asking to have a
- 11 meet and confer.
- 12 Respectfully, it would be prejudicial to make
- this change which is certainly not merely
- 14 typographical.
- 15 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Thank you.
- Petitioner, do you have anything else to add
- 17 on this point?
- 18 MR. JIRON: Sure, Your Honor.
- 19 One of the points was that the chart was
- 20 somehow incorporated by reference, and that's simply
- 21 not the case. There was no incorporation by
- 22 reference to the chart. In fact, this whole chart

- 1 was really proffered as a demonstration that evidence
- 2 exists that the cited prior art would be entitled to
- 3 an earlier priority date if needed to show in such a
- 4 case that the Patent Owner would raise an affirmative
- 5 defense-type argument if it was, actually, not
- 6 something that the Petitioner was relying upon at all
- 7 and it wasn't incorporated by reference.
- 8 And the next argument that counsel put
- 9 forward was that it was something that counsel had
- 10 grieved and that it would be prejudicial to allow
- 11 Petitioner to correct the error. The fact that
- 12 Patent Owner grieved the issue actually is a bit --
- 13 relying upon that as a reason not to allow the change
- 14 is a little bit odd given the fact that the Patent
- 15 Owner selected that issue to grieve despite the fact
- 16 that there are numerous other references even in that
- 17 same cell itself that are sufficient to show that the
- 18 layers being addressed are 62 and 12.
- I mean, I would suggest that even without a
- 20 correction of the typographic error, the rest of the
- 21 cell makes it perfectly clear that the patent expert
- 22 or the technical expert was clearly talking about

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- 1 Layers 62 and 12, and there would be sufficient
- 2 support in the rest of the cell alone to demonstrate
- 3 that fact even without the correction. The
- 4 correction is really just for purposes of making
- 5 everything consistent with one another, not -- it
- 6 wouldn't be prejudicial to Patent Owner at all.
- 7 JUDGE CHAGNON: Just to be clear, the relief
- 8 that you're requesting, are you requesting
- 9 authorization to go ahead and correct it or are you
- 10 requesting authorization to file a motion to correct
- 11 it?
- MR. JIRON: Right. Well, according to Rule
- 13 104(C), it would -- we could ask for a motion to make
- 14 the correction and we would be happy to do that. On
- 15 the other hand, we think that it is of the type of
- 16 typographical error that the board has taken the
- 17 conference call as, basically, a request to correct
- 18 the typographical error as sufficient, and that would
- 19 be, we would think, the simplest thing to do in this
- 20 matter.
- 21 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Great. I just wanted
- 22 to make sure everybody was on the same page.

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- Just procedurally today, we're going to hear
- 2 from the parties on all of these issues, and then
- 3 we're not going to make decisions on the call today.
- 4 We're just going to take everything under advisement
- 5 and issue an order, likely, in the next day or so.
- 6 MR. BAUGHMAN: Your Honor, I'm sorry. Steve
- 7 Baughman for Patent Owner.
- Just before we move off of this issue, may I
- 9 just offer a citation to show where it's incorporated
- 10 by reference? I would like to respond to that one
- 11 point.
- 12 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Go ahead.
- MR. BAUGHMAN: On page 29 of the petition in
- 14 Footnote 3, the Petitioner refers to Exhibit 1002,
- 15 paragraph 153. Paragraph 153 is in Dr. Smith's
- 16 declaration which points back to this claim chart in
- 17 its entirety.
- That's where we submit it's incorporated by
- 19 reference.
- Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you.
- 22 So if we've heard everything for both parties

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- 1 on this issue, we can move on to the other question
- 2 about the reply briefing that's being requested.
- 3 MR. JIRON: Thank you, Your Honor. This is
- 4 Darren Jiron for Petitioner again.
- 5 So on this issue, the Petitioner is
- 6 requesting leave to file a reply under Rule 108(C),
- 7 and we believe there's good cause to request the
- 8 reply, basically, to address a case of burden
- 9 shifting that has occurred in Patent Owner's
- 10 Preliminary Response.
- 11 So in this particular situation, the
- 12 arguments that the Patent Owner raised in its
- 13 preliminary response actually are contrary to the
- 14 burden framework that is set up by the applicable
- 15 law, specifically, the guidance provided by the
- 16 Federal Circuit case Dynamic Drinkware.
- 17 The Petitioner would like an opportunity to
- 18 further address in a reply the specific burden
- 19 shifting arguments that Patent Owner has raised that
- 20 go against the burden framework that's laid out in
- 21 Dynamic Drinkware.
- So, for example, in the petition, the

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- 1 Petitioner cited prior art, a document referred to as
- 2 "grill" and established according to the Dynamic
- 3 Drinkware burden that the grill qualifies as prior
- 4 art under Section 102(E), in the Patent Owner
- 5 Preliminary Response. Rather than actually disputing
- 6 that the grill qualifies as prior art under 102(E),
- 7 the Patent Owner took a different tact and argued
- 8 that Petitioner had failed to show the grill as prior
- 9 art and not because it doesn't qualify according to
- 10 its date, but, rather, because it alleged that the
- 11 Petitioner had made a failure and the failure that
- 12 the Patent Owner alleged had been committed was
- 13 Petitioner not demonstrating that the 696 patent, the
- 14 one at issue here, was not entitled to the benefit of
- 15 foreign priority based on a Japanese document called
- 16 the 371 Application.
- So, basically, rather than the Patent Owner
- 18 following Dynamic Drinkware burden framework that's
- 19 set up that says that once the petitioner makes a
- 20 prime facia case of showing that there's prior art
- 21 that exists, if the Patent Owner wishes to rely upon
- 22 an earlier priority, the burden falls onto the

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- 1 shoulders of the patent owner to demonstrate that it
- 2 is entitled to the benefit of earlier foreign
- 3 priority, and to do that would require a showing that
- 4 the claims and the limitations of the claims find
- 5 one-twelfth support in the earlier priority document.
- 6 That didn't happen here. Rather, the Patent
- 7 Owner just argued that the petitioner has a deficient
- 8 petition because it failed to prove in its petition
- 9 that the 696 patent was not entitled to the benefit
- 10 of foreign priority.
- So, effectively, that's the burden shifting
- 12 that we would like to focus on in the reply. The
- 13 authority that the Patent Owner relied upon for
- 14 suggesting that that's an appropriate action here was
- 15 a board decision in 2013 called Polaris Wireless, and
- 16 we'd also like to address in the reply the specific
- 17 legal issues associated with Polaris Wireless and the
- 18 fact that Polaris Wireless, being the board's
- 19 decision from 2013, was actually implicitly overruled
- 20 by the Federal Circuit decision in Dynamic Drinkware
- 21 from 2015, which clearly set forth the burden of
- 22 framework.

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- 1 But even more importantly, a later board
- 2 decision in the Core Survival case from February 19th
- 3 of this year, 2016, actually addressed an issue very
- 4 similar to the one in this case that deals with the
- 5 priority, and the Core Survival board expressly filed
- 6 the burden framework that's set forth in Dynamic
- 7 Drinkware and expressly rejected the same types of
- 8 arguments that Patent Owner is making in this case,
- 9 and that is that Polaris Wireless provided some
- 10 justification for not following the burden framework,
- 11 the appropriate burden framework, as later set forth
- 12 in Dynamic Drinkware.
- 13 Specifically, in Core Survival, the board
- 14 found that there is no initial burden on the
- 15 Petitioner to contest the benefit of priority.
- 16 Rather, that falls on the shoulders of the Patent
- 17 Owner. So to suggest, as Patent Owner has done here,
- 18 that there's a deficiency in the petition based upon
- 19 a theory of burden shifting is inappropriate and one
- 20 that we would like to further address in a reply.
- JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you.
- We'll hear from Patent Owner.

- 1 MR. BAUGHMAN: Thanks, Your Honor. It's
- 2 Steve Baughman for Patent Owner.
- Respectfully, it was Petitioner who raised
- 4 fully in the four petitions the legal and factual
- 5 issues concerning the prior art status of this
- 6 "grill" reference in relation to the challenged
- 7 claims of the 696 patent. That's clear from Rule
- 8 22(A)(2), which requires a full statement of the
- 9 reasons for the relief requested, governing law,
- 10 rules, and precedent.
- It is clear from the Polaris case, which we
- 12 did cite in our Patent Owner Preliminary Response and
- 13 which, importantly, is discussed in Core Survival, as
- 14 Patent Owner just acknowledged, but in a way, I think
- 15 Patent Owner is overlooking. If you take a look,
- 16 Your Honors, at page 9 of Core Survival, in Footnote
- 3, you'll see that the board in this much more recent
- 18 case talks approvingly about Polaris as identifying
- 19 the best practice for what's supposed to be in a
- 20 petition in terms of what the petition should
- 21 contain, and it warns about the kind of gamesmanship
- 22 that the Petitioner engaged in here, and I would like

- 1 to read a piece of that footnote.
- 2 "Although the Patent Owner initially bears
- 3 the burden of production on the issue of priority,
- 4 there is generally no opportunity for a petitioner to
- 5 submit additional evidence or argument at the
- 6 institution stage. Thus, if the patent owner meets
- 7 its burden and the petition contains nothing to rebut
- 8 presumptively Patent Owner's evidence supporting a
- 9 priority claim, the petitioner's case is in peril."
- And what Polaris says, the Polaris case we
- 11 cited, IPR2013-00323, Paper 9 at page 29 is that our
- 12 obligation to respond about the priority date of our
- 13 696 patent claims is commensurate in scope with the
- 14 points and contentions raised by the Petitioner, and
- 15 that's what we did here in the Patent Owner
- 16 Preliminary Response.
- 17 They raised three arguments that they thought
- 18 indicated a lack of priority to the facial claim to
- 19 the foreign priority document, which is, I think,
- 20 uncontested, and we responded to those. Therefore,
- 21 for purposes of institution, we have met our burden
- 22 and the date that needed to be responded to for the

- 696 patent is that foreign priority date.
- 2 We also cited the alarm.com case,
- IPR2016-00129, which shows the burden of production 3
- is initially on the petitioner, and the need to show 4
- 5 the grill was prior art as of its provisional date
- was on the petitioner's shoulder to deal with. 6
- Frankly, as the petition recognized, I think when 7
- 8 Your Honors take a look at what's in the petition,
- you'll see that they did already raise and brief 9
- 10 these issues.
- 11 They briefed the issue of 696's entitlement
- 12 to its foreign priority. They addressed the grill's
- entitlement to its foreign provisional filing date, 13
- although in a way that we think is procedurally 14
- improper by incorporating by reference, and they 15
- cited a bunch of case law and precedent to these 16
- 17 issues at pages 20 and 21 and pages 28 and 29 and
- 18 Note 3 in the proceeding we've been discussing, the
- 19 1376 proceeding.
- 20 So there's certainly no surprise about what
- needed to be argued here. The priority claim is on 21
- 22 the face of the patent to meet that foreign priority

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- 1 date, their grill reference needed, the benefit of
- 2 its provision.
- 3 They made arguments about what burden the law
- 4 imposed. We responded to those arguments in our
- 5 Patent Owner preliminary response. I think in our
- 6 meet and confer, Petitioner didn't identify anything
- 7 they thought we had misstated in the cases we cited.
- 8 Again, Polaris is addressed and not, I think, in the
- 9 way that's pertinent here.
- In Core Survival, it's showing that it is
- 11 still not only good law, but also shows best practice
- in the petition if Petitioner wants to raise it at
- 13 institution.
- So, respectfully, there's no reason here for
- 15 Petitioner to brief again these legal issues it
- 16 already raised in its four petitions. The rule
- 17 they're invoking here, Rule 108(C) about the
- 18 possibility of reply for good cause, was added
- 19 because of the possibility of declaration evidence
- 20 from the Patent Owner, and there's no argument here
- 21 that Petitioner's request results from something like
- 22 that.

- 1 It's really just a wish to re-brief the legal
- 2 issues it's already raised and, respectfully, it's
- 3 improper to use our paper as a roadmap for a do-over
- 4 on this legal briefing and, again, to get around the
- 5 word limits in their petition with additional paper
- 6 to argue something they should have addressed if they
- 7 thought it was going to be pertinent at institution
- 8 in their petition at greater length, because, again,
- 9 they raised the issues. They made decisions about
- 10 what to say about them, cited the cases they thought
- 11 were important and left it at that.
- So there's really no cause for a do-over now
- 13 to reargue the law before the board, including their
- 14 own Core Survival case that told them they wouldn't
- 15 get a second chance.
- 16 Again, it's prejudicial to have more briefing
- on this now, not only in terms of the clock ticking,
- 18 but also because institution is one of the few points
- in these proceedings where patent owners get a chance
- 20 to respond with the last word on the adequacy of what
- 21 the petition has shown. There's no good cause here
- 22 to divert from that normal structure the laid out for

- 1 briefing.
- The law has been put before the board. I'm
- 3 not sure Your Honors will be able to work through the
- 4 cases that both sides have cited, and if the board
- 5 were to grant here still more briefing, it's hard to
- 6 really imagine a situation in which a reply brief
- 7 would be denied, because these issues have been
- 8 raised and addressed by both sides.
- 9 Thanks, Your Honor.
- 10 JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you.
- Just a couple of questions that I have: If
- 12 we were to authorize briefing, Petitioner, what kind
- of timing and pages are you seeking?
- MR. JIRON: Your Honor, this is counsel for
- 15 Petitioner. We were thinking approximately seven
- 16 pages and about a week, so maybe due a week from
- 17 today.
- 18 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. And would Patent Owner
- 19 be requesting a surreply?
- MR. BAUGHMAN: Yes, Your Honor. We don't
- 21 think that that number of pages is anywhere
- 22 appropriate given the attention this was given by

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- 1 Petitioner in its opening papers, though we would ask
- 2 for a commensurate number of pages to respond if they
- 3 were given all this additional briefing.
- We'd respectfully suggest two pages should be
- 5 more than sufficient since all the cases have been
- 6 briefed already.
- 7 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Thank you.
- I just want to make sure that we've heard
- 9 everybody's positions on all of these issues.
- 10 So, Petitioner, do you have anything else
- 11 quickly to add?
- MR. JIRON: Yes, Your Honor, just on a couple
- 13 of quick points in rebuttal.
- This isn't a do-over, as counsel for Patent
- 15 Owner suggested. It is not to address anything that
- 16 we thought we got wrong somehow in the petition.
- 17 It's actually to address a specific really
- 18 unforeseeable position that the Patent Owner has
- 19 raised, one that couldn't be foreseen because it's
- 20 one that goes against the Federal Circuit law. It's
- 21 one that, basically, attempts to shift the burden,
- 22 one that's clearly defined in the law as on the

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- 1 Patent Owner to establish entitlement to foreign
- 2 priority, basically, to shift that burden to
- 3 Petitioner to disprove that that entitlement exists,
- 4 and that's what we were hoping for in the reply, was
- 5 to address that issue in the law.
- 6 Counsel for Patent Owner read a couple of
- 7 things from Corelogic and suggested that, as
- 8 Corelogic does say, it talks about best practices,
- 9 and the evidence that was included was the few
- 10 examples from the claims that Petitioner believes are
- 11 not supported in the earlier foreign priority
- documents were raised as best practices, as was the
- 13 evidence from the claim chart in Appendix B, which
- 14 actually talks about an even further level down of
- 15 the support in the prior art provision, that provides
- 16 support there.
- 17 So those things were raised as best
- 18 practices, but that doesn't change the fact that the
- 19 burden of establishing entitlement to foreign
- 20 priority lies with the patent owner, and that's what
- 21 the Patent Owner is effectively arguing should be
- 22 shifted onto the shoulders of the Petitioner.

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- 1 I'd like to read just a couple of excerpts
- 2 from the Core Survival case that Patent Owner did not
- 3 include in his excerpts.
- 4 Specifically, the Core Survival case when
- 5 addressing the Dynamic Drinkware case that: "We do
- 6 not agree with Patent Owner that Petitioner has the
- 7 initial burden of showing that the patent at issue is
- 8 not entitled to an earlier priority date for
- 9 unpatentability purposes. Rather, a patentee must
- 10 demonstrate entitlement to a priority date when
- 11 patentee relies on that priority date to overcome an
- 12 anticipation or obviousness argument."
- 13 So, clearly, they're restating the Dynamic
- 14 Drinkware principle that the patentee is the one that
- 15 bears the burden to establish entitlement to the
- 16 priority date.
- 17 Additionally, the Core Survival board said
- 18 that: "Contrary to the Patent Owner's position, the
- 19 only showing that the Petitioner needed to make is
- 20 that the art must have existed as of the date of
- 21 invention, presumed to be the filing date of the
- 22 application, until an earlier date is proved."

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- 1 And that's what needs to occur here. The
- 2 Patent Owner, if it's going to rely upon a priority
- 3 date has to prove.
- 4 The Core Survival board also said that Patent
- 5 Owner -- quote: Patent Owner fails to direct us to
- 6 and is leaving us to discern independently any
- 7 support for Polaris Wireless for the proposition that
- 8 a petitioner has any initial burden to contest
- 9 entitlement to a provisional filing date. The law is
- 10 clear that there is no initial burden on Petitioner
- 11 to rebut a provisional date."
- 12 That's directly following Dynamic Drinkware
- 13 and that's what, basically, Patent Owner is
- 14 suggesting should happen here, is that the burden
- 15 should be on the shoulders of Petitioner to disprove
- 16 entitlement to an earlier prior date. Effectively,
- 17 the Patent Owner's argument is one that would suggest
- 18 that there is -- rather than a burden existing at all
- 19 with a patent owner to prove that it's entitled to
- 20 foreign priority, the patent owner is basically
- 21 suggesting it replace that with a presumption that
- 22 foreign priority exists if and until the petitioner

- 1 can disprove it.
- 2 That's one that clearly goes against the
- 3 quidance set forth in even Section 706 of .02 of the
- 4 MPEP and well-established cases that say that if a
- 5 foreign priority is to be relied upon, it has to be
- 6 established by showing one-twelfth support for the
- 7 limitations of the claims, not only in the MPEP
- 8 guidance, but several cases from the Federal Circuit.
- 9 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay.
- 10 MR. BAUGHMAN: Your Honor --
- 11 JUDGE CHAGNON: I'm sorry. I talked over
- 12 somebody.
- MR. BAUGHMAN: I apologize, Your Honor.
- 14 Steve Baughman for Patent Owner. If I could just
- 15 briefly respond, understanding it should be brief.
- 16 JUDGE CHAGNON: Yes. Go ahead.
- MR. BAUGHMAN: I guess a couple of things:
- 18 We clearly are reading the cases differently. I
- 19 don't think there's anything in Core that suggests
- 20 that Polaris has been overruled. There's a
- 21 disagreement on some of the language here, but I
- 22 think that one of the things that's being overlooked,

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- 1 also, is that the situation factually is different as
- 2 shown in Footnote 3.
- 3 In that case, there was no evidence or
- 4 argument produced by Patent Owner to support an
- 5 earlier priority date claim. Here, we have an
- 6 affirmative argument in three points from Petitioner
- 7 about what is supposed to be the problem in terms of
- 8 priority. Each of those was addressed.
- 9 So that's certainly different from the
- 10 situation faced by the Core panel, which, again,
- 11 notes the best practices of the Polaris case that
- 12 Petitioner purports to have followed here.
- 13 I will note that the alarm.com case, which we
- 14 cited in our preliminary response, is certainly also
- 15 post-Dynamic Drinkware. It talks about it and it
- 16 talks about the Petitioner's obligation to show the
- 17 benefit of provisional filing dates and cites
- 18 something that happened in this case as well. That's
- 19 Petitioner recognizing that there are concerns in the
- 20 petition itself with whether they might need to do
- 21 that, and I think Your Honors have all you need to
- 22 see in the petition where the Patent Owner is talking

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- 1 at length about burden shifting and then saying,
- 2 Well, in case we do need to show it, here's all this
- 3 material in our expert's declaration at pages 28 to
- 4 29, Footnote 3 of the petition.
- 5 So, again, I think the law says what it says.
- 6 It's hard to imagine we need seven pages of briefing
- 7 on it in addition to what the parties have already
- 8 provided, and, respectfully, we think the cases speak
- 9 for themselves.
- 10 JUDGE CHAGNON: Thank you.
- Just to confirm, the cases that we've been
- 12 discussing on the call right now, I believe these are
- 13 all cited somewhere either in the petition or the
- 14 preliminary response. Is that accurate?
- MR. BAUGHMAN: For Patent Owner, that's
- 16 correct, Your Honor.
- 17 MR. JIRON: Same for Petitioner.
- 18 JUDGE CHAGNON: Okay. Great.
- 19 Give me one second to confer with my panel.
- 20 [Pause.]
- 21 JUDGE CHAGNON: I think we have everything
- 22 that we need. So we'll consider all the information

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     that you've given us today and we will issue an order
     very quickly, understanding the time constraints that
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     are at issue in this case.
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            Does either party have any further questions?
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            MR. JIRON: None from Petitioner, Your Honor.
            MR. BAUGHMAN: None from Patent Owner, Your
    Honor.
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            JUDGE CHAGNON: All right. Well, if nobody
     else has any questions, and I believe I heard there
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     were none, we will adjourn call and have the order
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    out soon.
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            Thank you all.
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            [Whereupon, at 2:35 p.m., the conference call
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    concluded.]
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