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Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Alan D Albright. Markman Hearing held on 4/1/2021. Case called for Markman Hearing by Zoom. Parties announce ready. Defts begin with the term A method, comprising steps of: forming a first [layer/electrically conductive layer]. Plaintiff presents counter argument. Court rules that they will keep their preliminary instruction as presented on record. Defts move on to the term making a partial cut in the leadframe arguing that the courts preliminary instruction does not go far enough. Plaintiff argues the current instruction is sufficient. The court finds that the added terminology of in the depth of the cut is smaller than the lead frame is redundant and unnecessary and will maintain the original courts preliminary instruction stands. Court announced that Discovery opens as of today; Parties notify the court that they have already agreed that the parties would open as of the second Markman and the judge defers to their agreement. Parties inquire regarding pending motion (dkt 34) in the Waco case to transfer the case to Austin. Court will not make a determination at this point. Defts also bring up the unopposed sealed motion (dkt 45) in Waco case Court will grant the sealed motion. No other pending matters. Hearing concluded. (Minute entry documents are not available electronically.) (Court Reporter Lily Reznik.)(bw)

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Brian – we are fine with your proposal below.

Thanks,
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Charles,

Under the current scheduling order, discovery opens on April 12. As you likely know, under Judge Albright's procedures, discovery is supposed to open after Markman. In light of yesterday's order moving a Markman hearing to April 16, and in light of the parties' continuing settlement discussions, Microchip and Microsemi request the parties stipulate to move the opening of discovery (and deadline for serving initial disclosures) to April 19.

Please let us know Bell's position on Defendants' request. Feel free to give me a call if you'd like to discuss.

Best regards,

Brian C. Banner

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