

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

YECHEZKAL EVAN SPERO,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2022-01586
U.S. Patent No. 11,208,029 B2

**PATENT OWNER YECHEZKAL EVAN SPERO'S
MANDATORY NOTICE**

I. Mandatory Notice

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8, the patent owner, Yechezkal Evan Spero (“Patent Owner”), hereby submits the following Mandatory Notice to satisfy the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.8. Patent Owner reserves its rights to supplement or modify these Notices.

A. Real Party-In-Interest

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(1), the real parties-in-interest are the patent owner, Yechezkal Evan Spero and Torchlight Technologies LLC, the exclusive licensee of the challenged patent.

B. Related Matters

Patent Owner identifies the following related current and/or former proceedings involving the patent-at-issue:

1. *Unified Patents, LLC v. Torchlight Technologies LLC*, IPR2022-01500 (PTAB September 22, 2022) (pending).
2. *Torchlight Technologies LLC v. Daimler AG et al*, No. 1:22-cv-00751 (D.D.E) (pending).
3. *Torchlight Technologies LLC v. General Motors LLC et al*, No. 1:22-cv-00752 (D.D.E) (pending).

Patents in the same patent family as the '029 patent have been subject to multiple patent office proceedings:

1. U.S. Reissue Application 16/858,342 (Reissue of U.S. Patent 9,955,551, pending).
2. *Ex Parte* Reexamination 90/014,815 (Reexamination of U.S. Patent 9,955,551, concluded).
3. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00315 (IPR of U.S. Patent 9,955,551, pending).
4. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00318 (IPR of U.S. Patent 9,955,551, pending).
5. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00336 (IPR of U.S. Patent 9,955,551, pending).
6. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00197 (IPR of U.S. Patent 10,894,503, pending).
7. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00328 (IPR of U.S. Patent 10,894,503, pending).
8. *Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., v. Yechezkal Evan Spero*, IPR2023-00335 (IPR of U.S. Patent 10,894,503, pending).

C. Lead and Back-Up Counsel

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D. Service Information – 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(4)

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Certificate of Service

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