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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GLOBAL TEL*LINK CORPORATION, Petitioner,

v.

SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES, INC., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-00493 (Patent 7,899,167 B1) Case IPR2014-00749 (Patent 8,577,003 B2)

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, BARBARA A. BENOIT, and GEORGIANNA W. BRADEN, Administrative Patent Judges.

BENOIT, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER Trial Hearing 37 C.F.R. § 42.70



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On June 2, 2015, Petitioner and Patent Owner jointly requested that the Trial Hearing Order issued May 14, 2015 be modified to improve the efficiency of the Hearing scheduled for IPR2014-00493 and IPR2014-00749 on June 4, 2015. Specifically, the parties proposed that the Petitioner would present its case with regard to the challenged claims and grounds for both proceedings using its allotted time of 90 minutes, less its reserved rebuttal time. Patent Owner would have its full allotted time of 90 minutes to argue its opposition to Petitioner's cases. Petitioner then may use any of its reserved time to rebut Patent Owner's opposition.

We thank Petitioner and Patent Owner for their suggested modification to the procedure for oral argument. We agree that the efficiency of the Hearing could be improved if oral argument for the issues in IPR2014-00493 and IPR2014-00749 were argued together. The parties are cautioned, however, that the proceedings are not being consolidated and will continue to have separate records. We urge the parties to be mindful of the differences in the claims challenged in each case and to be mindful of the evidence of record in each case. A single transcript for the hearing will be filed in IPR2014-00493 and IPR2014-00749. Because of the expected efficiencies in this modification of the procedure for oral argument, each party will have 60 minutes of argument time to argue the issues in IPR2014-00493 and IPR2014-00749.

Accordingly, commencing at 1:00 PM ET on June 4, 2015, oral argument for the issues in IPR2014-00493 and IPR2014-00749 will be held. Each party will have 60 minutes of argument time. Petitioner bears the ultimate burden of proof that the claims at issue are unpatentable. Therefore, Petitioner will proceed first to present its case with regard to the



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challenged claims and grounds on which we instituted trial in this proceeding. Patent Owner then will argue its opposition to Petitioner's case. Finally, Petitioner may use any time it reserved to rebut Patent Owner's opposition.

All other provisions of our Trial Hearing Order issued May 14, 2015 remain in effect.

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