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## BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

NJOY, INC., CB DISTRIBUTORS, INC., DR DISTRIBUTORS, LLC, FIN BRANDING GROUP, LLC, ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES INTERNATIONAL GROUP, LTD. F/K/A VICTORY ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES CORPORATION, and LOGIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT LLC, Petitioners,

v.

FONTEM HOLDINGS 1 B.V., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01299 Patent 8,910,641 B2

Mailed: June 12, 2015

Before Katrina Martin, Trial Paralegal.

NOTICE OF FILING DATE ACCORDED TO PETITION
AND
TIME FOR FILING PATENT OWNER PRELIMINARY RESPONSE



The petition for "*inter partes* review," filed in the above proceeding has been accorded the filing date of May 29, 2015.

Patent Owner may file a preliminary response to the petition no later than three months from the date of this notice. The preliminary response is limited to setting forth the reasons why the requested review should not be instituted. Patent Owner may also file an election to waive the preliminary response to expedite the proceeding. For more information, please consult the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48756 (Aug. 14, 2012), which is available on the Board Web site at <a href="http://www.uspto.gov/PTAB">http://www.uspto.gov/PTAB</a>.

Patent Owner is advised of the requirement to submit mandatory notice information under 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(a)(2) within 21 days of service of the petition.

The parties are encouraged to use the heading on the first page of this Notice for all future filings in the proceeding.

The parties are advised that under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), recognition of counsel *pro hac vice* requires a showing of good cause. The parties are authorized to file motions for *pro hac vice* admission under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c). Such motions shall be filed in accordance with the "Order -- Authorizing Motion *for Pro Hac Vice* Admission" in Case IPR2013-00639, Paper 7, a copy of which is available on the Board Web site under "Representative Orders, Decisions, and Notices."

The parties are reminded that unless otherwise permitted by 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(b)(2), all filings in this proceeding must be made electronically in the Patent Review Processing System (PRPS), accessible from the Board Web site at <a href="http://www.uspto.gov/PTAB">http://www.uspto.gov/PTAB</a>. To file documents, users must first obtain a user ID and password by registering with PRPS. Information



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