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NEW NGC, INC., dba NATIONAL GYPSUM COMPANY,  
Petitioner

v.

UNITED STATES GYPSUM COMPANY,  
Patent Owner.

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**PATENT OWNER UNITED STATES GYPSUM COMPANY'S  
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