

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PRIME WIRE & CABLE, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

CANTIGNY LIGHTING CONTROL, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2018-01592
Patent 9,320,122 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, DENISE M. POTHIER, and
JOHN F. HORVATH, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

POTHIER, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5(a)

Prime Wire & Cable, Inc. (Petitioner)¹ filed a Petition for *inter partes* review of claims 1–20 of U.S. Patent No. 9,320,122 B2 (Ex. 1001, “the ’122 patent”). Paper 3 (“Pet.”). To date, Cantigny Lighting Control, LLC (“Patent Owner”)² has not filed a Preliminary Response. On November 26, 2018, Patent Owner’s counsel informed the Board that the parties have reached a settlement and seeks authorization to file (1) a joint motion to terminate the proceeding and (2) a settlement agreement as business confidential information pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317.

Generally, the Board expects that a proceeding will terminate after the filing of a settlement agreement. *See, e.g.*, Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756, 48,768 (Aug. 14, 2012). The rule governing settlement indicates that any agreement between the parties made in connection with, or in contemplation of, the termination of a proceeding shall be in writing and filed with the Board. 37 C.F.R. § 42.74. Based on the facts of this proceeding, the parties are authorized to file a joint motion to terminate this proceeding.

The joint motion to terminate must include a brief explanation as to why termination of the proceeding is appropriate, and also should update the Board as to the status of any other matters involving the patent at issue. The parties also must file, as an exhibit, a true copy of their settlement agreement

¹ Petitioner, Prime Wire & Cable, Inc., identifies itself as a real party-in-interest and identifies its parent company as “YCF-BonEagle Co., Ltd. (‘YFC-Taiwan’), a limited liability company organized in Taiwan.” Paper 3, 12.

² Patent Owner, Cantigny Lighting Control, LLC, identifies (1) itself and (2) Jasco Products Company, LLC as real parties-in-interest. Paper 6, 1.

to terminate the proceeding. A redacted version of the settlement agreement will not be accepted as a true copy of the settlement agreement. Any request that the agreement be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the file of the involved patent must be filed with the settlement agreement. 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). The parties are directed to FAQ G2 on the Board's website page at <http://www.uspto.gov/patents-application-process/patent-trial-and-appeal-board/ptab-e2e-frequently-asked-questions> for instructions on how to file their settlement agreement as confidential (*e.g.*, uploading as "Parties and Board Only") in PTAB E2E.

The joint motion to terminate and the settlement agreement shall be filed no later than December 12, 2018. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the parties are authorized to file a joint motion to terminate the proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that the joint motion is due no later than December 12, 2018;

FURTHER ORDERED that the joint motion shall be accompanied by a true copy of the settlement agreement as required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b);

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties may request that the settlement agreement be treated as business confidential information as specified by 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c); and

FURTHER ORDERED that any confidential settlement agreement must be filed electronically in accordance with the instructions provided on the Board's website (*e.g.*, uploading as "Parties and Board Only").

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