

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD**

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HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS USA INC.,  
GENERAC POWER SYSTEMS, INC., and  
MWE INVESTMENTS, LLC,

Petitioners

v.

CHAMPION POWER EQUIPMENT INC.,

Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2025-00805

U.S. Patent No. 10,393,034

**PETITIONER'S HARBOR FREIGHT'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF  
POST-INSTITUTION FEES**

Petitioner Harbor Freight Tools USA Inc. (“Petitioner”) respectfully requests a refund of post-institution fees in the amount of \$28,125.00.

On April 29, 2025, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 10,393,034 (Paper 4). As required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner deposited \$57,515.00 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“PTO”) at the time of filing the Petition in order to cover associated fees. Petitioner’s payment consisted of \$25,630.00 in fees associated with the request for *inter partes* review, and a further \$31,885.00 in post-institution fees.

On February 3, 2026, the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board issued a Decision Reversing Institution of *Inter Partes* Review (Paper 40). Accordingly, *inter partes* review was not instituted. Petitioner therefore respectfully requests a refund of the post-institution fees paid to the PTO in connection with this proceeding, totaling \$31,885.00.

The payment was made using PTO Account No. 190741. Upon review and approval of this request, the Board may credit the deposit account used for payment. If additional information is required to issue the credit, please contact counsel listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing  
**PETITIONER'S HARBOR FREIGHT'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF  
POST-INSTITUTION FEES** was served on March 23, 2026, via the PRACTS  
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