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Filed on behalf of Meta Platforms, Inc.

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

META PLATFORMS, INC.,
Petitioner

v.

DIALECT, LLC,
Patent Owner

Case No. IPR2025-01333
U.S. Patent No. 9,263,039

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

On July 25, 2025, Meta Platforms, Inc. (“Petitioner”) filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 9,263,039 (the “’039 patent”) (Paper 1) seeking review of claims 13-15 and 17-18 of the ’039 patent. At the time of filing the petition, Petitioner submitted an electronic payment of the associated filing fees including the post-institution fee of \$28,125 from Deposit Account No. 50-2613. On November 20, 2025, Director John A. Squires issued a Notice of Decision on Institution stating “after review of discretionary considerations, institution of inter partes review is denied” for the instant proceeding. Paper 10. Petitioner filed a Request for Director Review on December 19, 2025 (Paper 11) which the Board denied on February 3, 2026 (Paper 13). Because no trial has been instituted, Petitioner hereby requests a refund of \$28,125 for the post-institution fee paid. *See* 78 FR 4234 (January 18, 2013) (“The Office also chooses to return fees for post-institution services if a review is not instituted.”).

Upon review and approval of this request, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Board credit \$28,125 to Deposit Account No. 50-2613 for the post-institution fee under 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2), processed through P-TACTS on July 25, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 20, 2026, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES** is being served by electronic mail on PO's counsel of record listed below, pursuant to its Mandatory Notices.

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