

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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

Petitioners,

v.

CHAMPION POWER EQUIPMENT, INC.,

Patent Owner.

IPR2025-01384

U.S. Patent No. 11,905,895

REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES

I. STATEMENT OF RELIEF REQUESTED

Petitioner MWE Investments, LLC (“MWE”) respectfully requests a refund of the post-institution fee paid for the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 11,905,895 (IPR2025-01384).

II. STATEMENT OF FACTS

On August 20, 2025, the above-listed joint Petitioners filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent No. 11,905,895. On behalf of the joint Petitioners, MWE paid the following fees:

1. *Inter Partes* Review request fee of \$23,750.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(1),
2. *Inter Partes* Review request fee for each claim in excess of 20 of \$470.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(3),
3. *Inter Partes* Review post-institution fee of \$28,125.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2), and
4. *Inter Partes* Review post-institution request fee for each claim in excess of 20 of \$940.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(4).

On January 27, 2026, the Board denied institution of the *Inter Partes* Review (paper 22).

III. ARGUMENT

IPR2025-01384 was terminated prior to institution. Therefore, MWE requests a refund of \$29,065.00 for the \$28,125.00 post-institution fee paid pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a)(2) and the \$940.00 post-institution fee paid pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(4). *See, e.g.,* 82 FR 52790 (Nov. 14, 2017) available at <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2017-11-14/pdf/2017-24390.pdf> (“The USPTO will refund the post-institution fee if the *inter partes* review proceeding is not instituted by the PTAB.”).

IV. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, MWE respectfully requests a refund of the post-institution fees of \$29,065.00. The refund may be deposited in Deposit Account No. 09-0007.

Respectfully Submitted,

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