

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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GOOGLE LLC

Petitioner

v.

ART RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, LLC

(record) Patent Owner

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*Inter Partes* Review Case No. IPR2025-01406  
U.S. Patent No. 10,609,442

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**PETITIONER REQUEST FOR REFUND**

On August 13, 2025 Petitioner Google LLC (“Petitioner”) filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 10,609,442 (“the ’442 patent”) under 35 U.S.C. §§ 311-319 and 37 C.F.R. §42.100 *et seq.*, seeking *inter partes* review of claims 1 and 5-11 of the ’103 patent. In conjunction with that request, counsel for Petitioner paid a total fee of \$51,875 including post-institution fees of \$28,125 total. The fee was paid by EFT from the Petitioner’s counsel’s bank account. On December 16, 2025, Petitioner filed a motion to withdraw the petition and terminate the proceeding pre-institution, which was granted on January 13, 2026. Petitioner hereby requests refund of \$28,125 for the Post-Institution Fee under 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(2) submitted with the filing of the Petition.

Upon review and approval of this request, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Board refund the Post-Institution Fee to Deposit Account No. 601876.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing request for refund was served on February 20, 2026 on all counsel of record by electronic mail to the following addresses:

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