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Patent Owner is authorized to file a 2-page reply in PGR2025-00089, due no later than Wednesday, January 14, 2026, limited to addressing the arguments raised below. Petitioner is authorized a 2-page sur-reply, due no later than Friday, January 16, 2026.

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Dear Honorable Director,

Patent Owner respectfully requests authorization to file a reply to Petitioner's response to Patent Owner's Discretionary Denial Brief in PGR2025-00089 (ShuttleSlide v. Sea Swivel). Petitioner refuses to submit a *Sotera* stipulation, and in its Response Brief takes surprising positions regarding the impact of that refusal, which Patent Owner believes are contrary to current PTAB precedent and policy regarding discretionary denials. Patent Owner would like to submit a reply consisting of 2 pages of argument (approx. 5 page reply including caption page, signature block, and certificates) to brief this particular issue. As part of this request, Petitioner would be permitted to submit a sur-reply of equal length. Each side would have 5 business-days to file their reply/sur-reply. Patent Owner's counsel has conferred with counsel for Petitioner via email, and Petitioner opposes this request.

Respectfully,

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