

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DIRECTOR OF THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

WOLFSPEED, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY,
Patent Owner.

IPR2022-00761
Patent 7,498,633 B2

Before KATHERINE K. VIDAL, *Under Secretary of Commerce for
Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and
Trademark Office.*

ORDER
Staying the Proceeding

On March 30, 2023, I issued a *sua sponte* Director review decision in this proceeding. Paper 13 (“Decision”). My Decision followed the earlier requests of Wolfspeed, Inc. (“Petitioner”) for rehearing (Paper 10) and Precedential Opinion Panel (“POP”) review (Ex. 3001) of the Board’s decision denying institution (Paper 9), both of which were dismissed by the POP concurrently with my Decision (Paper 14).

In my Decision, I vacated the Board’s decision denying institution and remanded the proceeding to the Board for further proceedings consistent with my Decision. Paper 13, 2–3.

The Trustees of Purdue University (“Patent Owner”) now requests rehearing of my Decision according to the *Interim Process for Director Review*¹ procedures. Paper 16, 1. Accordingly, jurisdiction of the proceeding now returns to me. For clarity, and in order to timely consider Patent Owner’s rehearing request, I hereby order a temporary stay of the underlying proceeding pending my decision on Patent Owner’s rehearing request.

For the foregoing reasons, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the underlying proceeding is stayed pending my decision on Patent Owner’s rehearing request.

¹ See *Interim process for Director review* § 23 (providing for requests for rehearing a Director review decision), available at [uspto.gov/patents/patent-trial-and-appeal-board/interim-process-director-review](https://www.uspto.gov/patents/patent-trial-and-appeal-board/interim-process-director-review).

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