

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

DR. URI COHEN,  
Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2018-00445 (Patent 6,924,226 B2)  
Case IPR2018-00446 (Patent 6,924,226 B2)  
Case IPR2018-00448 (Patent 6,518,668 B2)  
Case IPR2018-00452 (Patent 7,199,052 B2)<sup>1</sup>

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Before KEN B. BARRETT and ROBERT J. WEINSCHENK,  
*Administrative Patent Judges.*

WEINSCHENK, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER  
Conduct of the Proceeding  
*37 C.F.R. § 42.5*

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<sup>1</sup> This Order pertains to all of these cases. Therefore, we exercise our discretion to issue a single Order to be filed in each case. The parties are not authorized to use this style heading for any subsequent papers.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

On March 6, 2018, Judges Barrett and Weinschenk held a telephone conference call with counsel for Applied Materials, Inc. (“Petitioner”), counsel for Dr. Uri Cohen (“Patent Owner”), and counsel for Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Ltd., the petitioner in related proceedings. A court reporter was present on the conference call. This order summarizes statements made during the conference call. A more complete record may be found in the court reporter’s transcript, which is to be filed by Petitioner as an exhibit.

## II. ANALYSIS

Patent Owner requested, by an email to the Board on February 20, 2018, authorization for an extension of the deadline to file its preliminary responses in the above-listed proceedings. Specifically, Patent Owner requested that the deadline for its preliminary response in each case be extended to June 26, 2018. That equates to a request for approximately a two-month extension in the above-listed proceedings. Patent Owner explained that it was named as a party in thirteen petitions for *inter partes* review that were filed on the same day. Patent Owner argued that an extension is warranted so that Patent Owner may have additional time to analyze the petitions and prepare its preliminary responses. Patent Owner also noted that its lead counsel currently is scheduled to be in trial in another matter starting on May 21, 2018. Petitioner opposed Patent Owner’s request. Specifically, Petitioner argued that Patent Owner had not shown good cause for the requested extension.

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In general, a request for an extension of time must be supported by a showing of good cause. 37 C.F.R. § 42.5(c)(2). Here, Patent Owner has not demonstrated good cause for an extension of the deadline to file its preliminary responses in the above-listed proceedings. The petitions for *inter partes* review in the above-listed proceedings were filed on January 15, 2018, and the current deadline for Patent Owner to file its preliminary responses in the above-listed proceedings is April 26, 2018. In other words, Patent Owner will have had about fourteen weeks to analyze the petitions and prepare its preliminary responses. We are cognizant of the number of petitions for *inter partes* review in which Patent Owner is named as party. Nonetheless, we are not persuaded that Patent Owner lacks sufficient time to prepare its preliminary responses, particularly in light of Patent Owner's acknowledgement that there is overlap between the proceedings. Further, we are not persuaded that the trial obligations of Patent Owner's lead counsel in an unrelated matter warrants an extension of a deadline in these proceedings.

### III. ORDER

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Patent Owner's request for an extension of the deadlines to file its preliminary responses in the above-listed proceedings is *denied*.

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