

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.*

DECISION
Denying Request for Rehearing and
Lifting Stay

The Trustees of Purdue University (“Patent Owner”) requested rehearing (Paper 16 (“Rehearing Request”)) of my *sua sponte* Director review decision in this proceeding (Paper 13 (“Decision”)). I subsequently ordered a temporary stay of the underlying proceeding pending my decision on the Rehearing Request. Paper 17, 2.

After reviewing and considering the matter, I deny the Rehearing Request. I also lift the stay in the underlying proceeding and return the proceeding to the Board to issue its remand decision as ordered in my Decision. Paper 13, 9. Furthermore, because I have finally resolved Patent Owner’s Rehearing Request of my Director review decision, I note for clarity that the Board shall not decide the Rehearing Request. *See Interim process for Director review* § 23.¹

Upon consideration of the request, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner’s Rehearing Request is *denied*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the stay in the underlying proceeding is lifted; and

FURTHER ORDERED that this proceeding is remanded to the Board for further proceedings consistent with my Decision.

¹ Available at uspto.gov/patents/patent-trial-and-appeal-board/interim-process-director-review.

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