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SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD. Petitioner

v.

MOJO MOBILITY INC. Patent Owner

Patent No. 11,201,500

PETITION FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT NO. 11,201,500

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. ("Petitioner") requests *inter partes* review of claims 2, 4, and 18 ("challenged claims") of U.S. Patent No. 11,201,500 ("the '500 patent") (Ex. 1001) assigned to Mojo Mobility Inc. ("PO"). For the reasons below, the challenged claims should be found unpatentable and canceled.

# II. MANDATORY NOTICES

<u>Real Parties-in-Interest</u>: Petitioner identifies the following as the real parties-in-interest: Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc.

**<u>Related Matter</u>**: The '500 patent is at issue in the following matter(s):

- Mojo Mobility Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., No. 2-22-cv-00398 (E.D. Tex.) (asserting the '500 patent and also U.S. Patent Nos. 9,577,440, 11,292,349, 11,316,371, 7,948,208, 11,342,777, and 11,462,942) ("Texas Litigation").
- Petitioner is filing concurrently herewith petitions for *inter partes* review challenging other claims of the '500 patent.

The '500 patent originates from U.S. Patent Application No. 16/055,109, filed on August 5, 2018, which is a continuation or continuation-in-part of a sequence of applications dated as early as Jan. 30, 2007. (Ex. 1001, Cover.) The '500 patent also lists multiple provisional applications dated as early as Jan. 31, 2006. (*Id.*)

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#### **III. PAYMENT OF FEES**

The PTO is authorized to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-2613.

#### **IV. GROUNDS FOR STANDING**

Petitioner certifies that the '500 patent is available for review and Petitioner is not barred/estopped from requesting review on the identified grounds.

## V. PRECISE RELIEF REQUESTED AND GROUNDS

The challenged claims should be canceled as unpatentable based on the following grounds:

<u>**Ground 1**</u>: Claim 2 is unpatentable under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over *Okada* in view of *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Masias*;

<u>**Ground 2**</u>: Claim 4 is unpatentable under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over *Okada*, *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Calhoon*; and

<u>Ground 3</u>: Claim 18 is unpatentable under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over *Okada*, *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Kazutoshi*.

In the Texas Litigation, PO identified the following priority dates (and possibly up to three months earlier):

- (a) 12/5/2006: claim 4; and
- (b) 12/12/2007: claims 2 and 18.

(Ex. 1022, 6-8.) Without conceding such dates are appropriate, Petitioner assumes for this proceeding those are the effective date(s) for the challenged claims. The asserted prior art herein qualifies as prior art at least under the following sections of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. (depending on the priority dates above):

Okada (published: 6/2/2006)	§102(a)
Odendaal (filed: 6/26/2002; issued:	
11/1/2005)	§§102(a), 102(e)
Black (filed: 12/8/2005; published:	
7/6/2006)	
Berghegger (issued: 6/28/2005)	§102(b)
Kazutoshi (issued June 23, 2005)	
Calhoon (filed: 12/12/2003)	§102(e)
Masias (filed: 3/10/2004)	

None of these references were considered during prosecution, except for the issued patent corresponding to *Calhoon* (submitted but not applied). (Ex. 1001, cover; *infra* §X.)

#### VI. LEVEL OF ORDINARY SKILL

A person of ordinary skill in the art as of the claimed priority date of the '500 patent ("POSITA") would have had at least a master's degree in electrical engineering, or a similar discipline, and two or more years of experience with wireless charging systems, including, for example, inductive power transfer systems. (Ex. 1002,  $\P$ 20-21.)<sup>2</sup> More education can supplement practical experience and vice versa. (*Id.*)

#### VII. OVERVIEW OF THE '500 PATENT

During prosecution, the applicant replaced the initially rejected claims (Ex. 1004, 484-493, 414-423) with new ones, which were subsequently allowed without rejections (*id.*, 186-193 (NOA), 244-249, 384-406). The examiner alleged the art did not "teach or suggest the inclusion of the system comprising" limitations 1(f), 1(i)-1(l). (*Id.*, 191-192; §IX.) However, those claimed features, and the others, are a compilation of technologies/techniques known in the art, as demonstrated below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Petitioner submits the declaration of R. Jacob Baker, Ph.D., P.E. (Ex. 1002), an expert in the field of the '500 patent. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶1-13; Ex. 1003.)

See In re Gorman, 933 F.2d 982, 986 (Fed. Cir. 1991). (Infra §IX; Ex. 1002, ¶¶22-67, 69-249; Exs. 1005-1017, 1019-1021, 1023-1031, 1034, 1036-1037, 1039, 1041, 1044, 1046-1050, 1056-1063.)

#### **VIII. CLAIM CONSTRUCTION**

The Board only construes the claims when necessary to resolve the underlying controversy. *Toyota Motor Corp. v. Cellport Systems, Inc.*, IPR2015-00633, Paper No. 11 at 16 (Aug. 14, 2015). For purposes of this proceeding, Petitioner believes that no special constructions are necessary to assess whether the challenged claims are unpatentable over the asserted prior art.<sup>3</sup> (Ex. 1002, ¶68.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Petitioner reserves all rights to raise claim construction and other arguments (e.g., §112, etc.) in district court as relevant to those proceedings. *See, e.g., Target Corp. v. Proxicom Wireless, LLC*, IPR2020-00904, Paper 11 at 11–13 (Nov. 10, 2020). A comparison of the claims to any accused products in litigation may raise controversies that are not presented here given the similarities between the art and the patent.

## IX. DETAILED EXPLANATION OF GROUNDS<sup>4</sup>

# A. Ground 1: Claim 2 is obvious over *Okada* in view of *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Masias*

Claims 2 depends from claim 1, and thus claim 1 is addressed first below.

## 1. Claim 1

# a) A system for inductive powering or charging of portable devices, the system comprising:

To the extent limiting, *Okada* (including as modified below) discloses this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶70-84, 111-120; §§IX.A.1(b)-(l).) *Okada* discloses a system for inductive powering/charging portable devices, *e.g.*, mobile phones. (Ex. 1005, Abstract, ¶¶0001, 0047.) FIG. 1 (annotated below) shows power supply system 1 (blue) including PC2, PDA3 (green), and cradle 4 (red). (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0034-0036.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> References to prior art exhibits other than the asserted prior art identified in each of the grounds are to demonstrate/support Dr. Baker's opinions regarding a POSITA's state-of-art knowledge at the time, as applicable.



"[M]agnetic coupling" occurs between cradle coil(s) and PDA3 coil, which "induces voltage" in the PDA coil" to "suppl[y] power to the PDA." (*Id.*, ¶0035.) (Ex. 1002, ¶113.) For example, *Okada*'s charger (*e.g.*, cradle 4) and/or its components is an exemplary "**system**."

FIG. 2 (below) describes an exemplary system, where cradle 4/PDA3 each includes circuitry/components and at least one coil. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0035, 0037, FIG.
2.) Cradle 4 includes a power transmitting module 10 ("PTM10"), and PDA3 includes a power receiving module 40 ("PRM40"). (*Id.*, ¶¶0035-0037, 0038-0058, FIG. 8, 0110-0111; Ex. 1002, ¶114.)



PTM10 converts received power to a DC signal via circuits 13-14. (Ex. 1005,  $\P\P0038,0049.$ ) Switching circuit 15 generates a switching pulse signal using the DC signal (*id.*), which is converted to a DC signal (V<sub>CC</sub>) powering PTM10 components (via circuits 16-18). (*Id.*,  $\P0039.$ ) The pulse signal is also supplied to primary coil 19 via switches 21/22/23. (*Id.*,  $\P\P0040,0049.0051.$ ) Power switching circuit 24 selects a switch 21/22/23 to allow the pulse signal to traverse selected turns of coil 19, enabling the system to select/adjust the power level transmitted to PRM40 (PDA3). (*Id.*,  $\P\P0040,0051,0057,0069-0073.$ ) The transmitted power level may be determined based on the device's "power consumption information" provided by PRM40 to PTM10. (*Id.*,  $\P\P0057,0063-0064,0069-0073$ ; Ex. 1002,  $\P\P115-116.$ )

*Okada* discloses various configurations/applications of such a "system" including PTM10 working with PRM40. (*E.g.*, Ex. 1005, FIGS. 2, 7-17, ¶¶0009-0032, 0094-0154). (Ex. 1002, ¶117.) For example, FIG. 7 (below) shows PTM10 including multiple primary coils (group 19x) and PRM40 including multiple secondary coils (41x). (Ex. 1005, FIG. 7, ¶¶0094-0096.)



Circuits in PTM10 and PRM40 selectively activate coils "having a highest power transmission efficiency" for power transmission, to, *e.g.*, accommodate shifted positions of PDA3 relative to cradle 4. (*Id.*, ¶¶0103-105; *id.*, ¶¶0097-0102, 0106-0109; Ex. 1002, ¶117.)

Applications of these features are described with respect to other exemplary "system(s)." (Ex. 1005, ¶0107 (only one module has multiple coils), FIG. 9 (below), ¶¶0116-0118 (tabletop with multi-coil charging pad), FIG. 10, ¶0119 (charging multiple devices), FIGS. 11(a)-(b) (below), ¶¶0120-0122 (multiple PTM10s powering/charging multiple devices)), FIGS. 12(a)-(b) (below) ¶¶0123-0126, FIGS. 13(a)-(b) (below), ¶¶0127-0132; Ex. 1002, ¶118.)



FIG. 10







FIG. 3 (below) shows "power supply operations carried out between [PTM10 and PRM40]," applicable to the configurations disclosed by *Okada*. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶0059; ¶¶0060-0090; 0094-0115; Ex. 1002, ¶119.) Thus, any disclosed configurations including features as recited in the limitations of claim 1 (including as modified) explained below is a "system" (*e.g.*, FIGS 1, 2, 7, 9-13). (Ex. 1005, ¶0030; §§IX.A.1(b)-(1); Ex. 1002, ¶120.)



b) one or more primary coils that are substantially planar and parallel to a surface of the system for powering or charging one or more compatible portable devices including batteries and receiver units, each receiver unit including a receiver coil and a receiver circuit including a receiver rectifier circuit;<sup>5</sup>

Okada in view of Odendaal discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶121-142.)

*Okada*'s "**system**" includes "**one or more primary coils**." (§IX.A.1(a); *e.g.*, Ex. 1005, FIG. 2 (**blue** below), ¶¶0040, 0050, FIG. 7, 0095-0107, FIGS. 9-10, ¶¶0116-119, FIGS. 11(a)-(b), ¶0121, FIGS. 12(a)-(b), ¶¶0123-0125, FIG. 13, ¶0132; Ex. 1002, ¶122.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Petitioner interprets the plain claim language to at least encompass that the one or more "compatible portable devices" includes at least one "batter[y]" and at least one "receiver unit[]."



The "**primary coil(s)**" is/are used for "**powering**[/]charging one or more compatible portable devices." (Ex. 1002, ¶123.) Switches 21/22/23 are selected to provide selected power level(s) transmitted to PRM40. (§IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0040, 0051, 0057, 0069-0073.) PTM10 determines a "compatible portable device" is properly positioned before powering/charging. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶0057.) *Okada* refers to such a device as a "common cradle 4 compatible device" or "device capable of receiving power." (*Id.*, ¶¶0064-0073; Ex. 1002, ¶123.)

The "one or more compatible portable devices" (*e.g.*, PDA3.) includes "batter[ies] and receiver unit[s]." Indeed, PDA3 includes a "secondary battery" and PRM40. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0012, 0015, 0037, FIG. 14, ¶¶0134-0136, FIG. 15, ¶¶0138-0140, FIG. 16, ¶¶0142-0144, claim 4, FIG. 2 (purple below)); Ex. 1002, ¶124.)



PRM40 is an example of a "receiving unit" including "a receiver coil and a receiver circuit including a receiver rectifier circuit." (Ex. 1002, ¶125; §IX.A.1; Ex. 1005 (citations *supra*).) FIG. 2 (annotated below) exemplifies a PRM40 ("each receiver unit") with coil 41 (orange) ("receiver coil") (Ex. 1005, ¶0040), and a "receiver circuit" (red), including at least rectifying circuit 43 (blue) ("receiver rectifier circuit"), clock circuit 46, modulating circuit 47, and may further include

one or more other PRM40 components (other than the **battery**) (*e.g.*, circuits 42, 44-45, 48-49, and/or 51-52). (Ex. 1005, ¶0047, FIG. 2; Ex. 1002, ¶125.)<sup>6</sup>



The primary coil(s) in *Okada* are "substantially...parallel to a surface of the system." *Okada* shows examples of coil 19 positioned substantially parallel to a surface (blue parallel (red) to coil 19 (orange) below) of the system. (Ex. 1005,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The annotated figures provided herein are exemplary visual aids and are not intended to define limit/constrain the prior art mappings (alone or as modified). Such mappings may encompass variations of components, or other components/circuitry, etc. not shown but described/suggested by *Okada* (or as modified) that meet the challenged claims as discussed.

FIGS. 11(b) (below left), 13(b) (right), §IX.A.1(a).) A similar arrangement exists with the other exemplary systems discussed above. (Ex. 1002, ¶126.)



While *Okada* does not expressly state that the "**primary coils...are** *substantially planar* and parallel to a surface of the system," a POSITA would have found it obvious to configure the *Okada* system to implement/use planar primary coils (and secondary coil(s)) in light of *Odendaal*. (Ex. 1002, ¶127.)

Planar coils placed in parallel to a power transfer system's surface were known. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶50-53, 128-132; Ex. 1027, 1-3; Ex. 1015, FIGS. 1-2, 3-4, 7-12, Abstract, 1:5-2:29, 2:64-3:27, 3:39-51, 5:5-47, 5:48-9:5; Ex. 1047, FIGS. 1-3, 6, 8A-9, ¶¶0002, 0006-0007, 0018-0025-0034; Ex. 1025, FIGS. 1, 3, 8-9, 13, 1:10-2:3, 2:5-12 (reasons for thin coil designs), 2:14-3:2, 4:19-32, 7:25-9:28, 12:27-32, 14:4-17; Ex. 1026, FIGS. 1-2, 5, 9A-9C, Abstract, 1:3-4:4, 4:6-9:4, 11:4-15; Ex. 1009, Abstract, FIGS. 1-3, 1:4-51, 1:54-2:26, 2:47-3:8, 3:9-39, 4:18-60); 1024, FIGS. 3, 8-9, 1:12-15, 1:39-2:29, 9:41-53, 10:45-57, 11:60-13:4; Ex. 1028, Abstract,

FIGS. 2-7, ¶¶0001, 0004-0007, 0025-0032, 0041; Ex. 1029, 1-4, 9-19; Ex. 1030, FIGS. 3-7B, 1:5-9, 1:59-61, 3:19-56, 4:62-567, 5:25-44); Ex. 1036, Abstract, 2:22-3:6 ("primary winding...*substantially parallel* to [] planar charging surface" and formed on planar PCB"), 5:22, 11:18, 23:20-24:8, 24:19-22.)

Aware of such coil designs (and associated tradeoffs, *e.g.*, size/weight/cost/performance), a POSITA would have been motivated to consider relevant teachings (*e.g.*, *Odendaal*) when configuring/implementing a system similar to *Okada*. (Ex. 1002, ¶133; *see e.g.*, Ex. 1047, ¶0033.)

*Odendaal* discloses inductive power transfer technologies/techniques, and like *Okada*, is in the same technical field as the '500 patent. (§IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1008, Title, Abstract, FIGS. 1A-4, 11-12, 1:5-3:57, 4:50-5:8, 5:24-28, 6:59-64; Ex. 1001, Abstract, 4:13-14.) Also, like *Okada*, *Odendaal* discloses features reasonably pertinent to particular problem(s) the inventor for the '500 patent (and a POSITA) was trying to solve. (Ex. 1001, 4:13-29; Ex. 1008, Abstract, 1:5-3:57, 4:50-5:8, 5:24-28, 6:59-64; §§IX.A.1(a)-(b); Ex. 1005, FIGS. 1, 2, 7, 9-12 ¶0037-0048, 0049-0058, 0094-0109, 0116-0126.) Such teachings thus would have been consulted when designing/implementing a contactless/inductive charging system, like *Okada*. (Ex. 1002, ¶85-88, 134-135.)

*Odendaal* discloses known use of **planar-type inductor coils** in an inductive power transfer system, for, *e.g.*, charging a cellphone battery. (Ex. 1008, FIGS. 1A-

1B, 2A, 2C, 8E, 1:58-2:43.) Odendaal describes a planar resonator for power transfer with characteristics of an integrated inductor-capacitor transformer. (Id., 1:53-57.) The planar resonator includes spirals on opposite sides used for energy transfer "so that a battery of a cellphone could be charged without physical wires." (Id., 1:60-67.) The planar resonator "transfer[s] power across the "interface-ofenergy-transfer" (IOET) in either an electric or magnetic form, or both." (Id., 2:1-7, 7-10 ("can permit transformer action...without capacitive energy transfer"), 2:65-3:5, 4:44-5:8, 6:1-18.) The planar coils may have "a thin and/or relatively flat top coil surface" and be arranged in upper and lower configurations "with an air gap." (Id., 2:44-54.) "The spiral-shaped conductor may comprise pcb spiral-wound conductors" and "a battery charging circuit can be coupled to one of the...spiral shaped conductors, and **load...coupled to the other**..." where "coupling between" the battery and charger "may comprise...magnetic coupling, wherein power is transferred by the coupling of...and/or magnetic flux across the IOET." (Id., 2:55-64.) Odendaal's teachings of "planar" coils (id., 1:60-67) is consistent with that known in the art. (Ex. 1002, ¶136-138; Ex. 1008, 1:60-67, 2:19-21, 2:29-44, 3:65-67.) Moreover, consistent with the thin form factor configurations of Okada (e.g., charging pads/case), Odendaal discloses that the spiral coils "are preferably integrated into a planar (flat/thin) structure" (Ex. 1008, 3:3-5) and may conform to the housing surface to facilitate charging a device "in close proximity" (id., 2:2944). Such arrangements disclose coils that are parallel to a system's surface. (Ex. 1002, ¶139.)

In light of such teachings, and state-of-art knowledge, a POSITA would have been motivated, and found obvious, to modify the *Okada* system to use "**primary**" coils that are "substantially planar and parallel to a surface of the system" (and complemented such a design with corresponding planar secondary coil(s) in the portable device) to expand/complement applications compatible with those contemplated by Okada to use thin(ner) unit(s)/device(s). (Ex. 1002, ¶140; §IX.A.1(a).) Such a modification would have provided options to reduce the volume the coil(s) occupy, device size/weight, and expanded/enhanced applications of Okada (e.g., pads, tables, cellphone(s), etc.) (Id.; §IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1005, FIGS. 1, 9, 10-16, ¶¶33-34, 0116-0146.) Planar coils provided options to reduce the distance between primary/secondary coils (promoting close proximity coupling (Ex. 1008, 2:29-44)) for improving power transmission efficiency, reducing energy waste, and shortening charging time. (Ex. 1002, ¶140; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0066-0068, 0112, FIGS. 4(a)-4(b); Ex. 1036, 24:19-22.) A POSITA would have appreciated that implementing complementary planar coils (primary-secondary) would have promoted efficient energy transmission between the charger and receiver devices, especially where the coils were aligned to allow the perpendicular magnetic field generated by the primary coil(s) to be efficiently received by the receiving coil(s). (Ex. 1002, ¶¶36-53, 141; *infra* §IX.A.1(c)(2).)

A POSITA would have had the skills and rationale in light of the teachings/suggestions of *Okada-Odendaal*, and a POSITA's state-of-art knowledge, to implement the above-modification while considering design tradeoffs and techniques/technologies with a reasonable expectation of success. Especially given such modification would have involved known technologies/techniques (*e.g.*, planar coils to facilitate wireless power transfer) to yield the predictable result of providing an inductive powering/charging system with thinner charger units, like that contemplated by *Okada-Odendaal*. (Ex. 1002, ¶142; §IX.A.1(a)) *See KSR Int'l Co. v. Teleflex, Inc.*, 550 U.S. 398, 416 (2007).

#### c) Limitation 1(c)

*Okada-Odendaal* in view of *Berghegger* discloses/suggests this limitation, as discussed below in three parts. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶143-172.)

(1) <u>1(c)(1):</u> one or more drive circuits including one or more FET drivers, FET switches, and capacitors coupled to the one or more primary coils...

Switching circuit 15 in PTM10 generates a switching pulse signal supplied to primary coil 19 via one of switches 21/22/23, which is selected by power switching circuit 24. Switches 21/22/23 can be MOSFETs ("FET switch"). (Ex. 1005, ¶0049.) The switching pulse signal is also converted (via circuits 16-18) to V<sub>CC</sub> for

powering PTM10 components. (§IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0038-0040, 0046, 0049-0051, FIG. 2.) Such PTM10 components are (directly/indirectly) coupled to, and configured to, drive/power primary coil 19. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶144-145.) Circuits 16-18 provide power to other components, *e.g.*, circuit 33, which outputs signals driving coil 19 to send a carrier wave to PRM40. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0062-0063, ¶¶0010-0014, 0042-0046, 0055-0058, Claims 2-3, 6; §§IX.A.1(a), IX.A.1(d)-(l).) Circuit 15 also provides the switching pulsed signal to (FET) switches 21/22/23, and together with circuit 24, provides signals that drive coil 19 to transfer power. (*Id.*; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0040, 0049-0051, 0070-0073.) (Ex. 1002, ¶145.)

Thus, *Okada*'s examples of "**one or more drive circuits**" include: **(1)** circuit 15 (with/without circuits 13-14) and circuits 21-24, **(2)** circuits 16-18 (providing Vcc for IC 20, including circuit 24 which controls (FET) switches 21/22/23), or **(3)** a combination of such components (with/without other circuitry in IC 20). (*See* FIG. 2, annotated below in **pink**.) The "**drive circuit**" includes "**one or more FET drivers**" (*e.g.*, switch 15, circuit 24, and/or one or more of circuits 16-18, or a

combination of such components) and "FET switches" (e.g., switches 21/22/23).



(Ex. 1002, ¶146.) (See §IX.A.1(g).)<sup>7</sup>

*Okada* does not expressly disclose the drive circuit(s) having "one or more FET drivers, FET switches, *and capacitors coupled to the one or more primary* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Okada's circuitry that provides a switching signal to power primary coil 19 is similar to drive circuitry discussed in the '500 patent. (§IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1001, 21:48-51, 23:5-6, 40:33-43, 43:5-6.) (Ex. 1002, ¶146.)

*coils*."<sup>8</sup> While capable of adjusting power levels at the **onset** of a charging process, *Okada* does not expressly indicate adjusting power levels **during** the charging process.<sup>9</sup> (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0069-0076, FIG. 3.) Nevertheless, a POSITA would have found it obvious to modify the *Okada-Odendaal* system to include such features in light of *Berghegger*. (Ex. 1002, ¶147.)

*Berghegger* discloses a system for inductively powering/charging a device/battery. (Ex. 1006, FIGS. 1a-1b, 4-6, Abstract, 1:65-2:17, 2:18-3:30, 5:27-30, 6:12-19, 6:37-45.) A controller 40 drives primary-side inductor  $L_P$  "magnetically coupled to" secondary-side inductor  $L_S$  to induce an AC voltage on  $L_S$ , which is rectified and supplied to load  $R_L$  (including a battery). (*Id.*, 6:5-15; *id.*, 6:38-40 ("charging tray" and "mobile...telephone").) *Berghegger* is thus in the same technical field as the '500 patent and *Okada*, and discloses features reasonably pertinent to particular problem(s) the inventor for the '500 patent (and POSITA) was trying to solve. (Ex. 1001, Abstract, 4:13-29; Ex. 1006, Abstract, 2:18-20;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Dependent claim 3 separately recites the "drive circuits" and "capacitors." Accordingly, the claimed "drive circuit(s)" may or may not include the "capacitor(s)."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The modification associated with these features are also applicable to later limitations, such as *e.g.*, limitations (1(f)-(g), etc.).

§§IX.A.1(a)-(b); Ex. 1002, ¶¶89-97, 148-150.) Thus, a POSITA would have consulted *Berghegger* in context of *Okada-Odendaal*. (Ex. 1002, ¶150.)

Controller 40 (FIG. 4) includes a drive circuit 2 (FIG. 2) and MOSFET switches S1-S2 (FIG. 1b) for "driving the inductor  $L_P$  and the resonant capacitor  $C_P$  on the primary side." (Ex. 1006, 6:5-8.)



Fig.4



Fig.2



Drive circuit 2 receives a control signal U<sub>C</sub> that ultimately determines the frequency of AC signals provided by electrodes G1-G2, where U<sub>C</sub> "depends on the power demand of the secondary side." (*Id.*, 4:51-61 (G1-G2 controlled by drive circuit 2 (FIG. 2) and VCO<sub>p</sub> and VCD both receive U<sub>C</sub>), 4:62-5:64 (U<sub>C</sub> determines frequency of ac signal provided by G1-G2).) G1-G2 signals control the frequency at which MOSFETs S1/S2 operate to drive inductor L<sub>P</sub> and resonant capacitor C<sub>P</sub>. (*Id.*, 3:51-4:50; Ex. 1002, ¶151-152.) The FIG. 5 (below) configuration is similar to FIG. 4 (Ex. 1006, 5:65-6:37), but where U<sub>C</sub> is provided using coils L<sub>S</sub> and L<sub>P</sub>. (*Id.*, 6:50-53, 6:53-8:8; Ex. 1002, ¶152.)



Controller 40 (**drive circuit**) includes **FET driver(s**) (*e.g.*, components in circuit 2) controlling the oscillating frequency of **FET switches** (S1/S2) for powering a primary coil, and a resonant capacitor coupled to the primary coil. (Ex. 1002, ¶153; Ex. 1006, 4:12-19 ("connecting  $L_P$  and  $C_P$ ").)

In light of *Berghegger*, a POSITA would have been motivated and found it beneficial to modify the *Okada-Odendaal* system to include a **drive circuit** having **FET driver(s)**, **FET switches**, and a **capacitor** coupled to the primary coil(s) of the system to adjust power levels during charging while providing more efficient power transfer via capacitive filtering. A POSITA would have appreciated the guidance of *Berghegger*, which describes a closed-loop feedback arrangement, where a drive circuit adjusts the oscillating frequency and thus the power delivery based on device information (*e.g.*, control signal U<sub>C</sub> that "depends on the power demand of the secondary side"). (Ex. 1002, ¶154.)

Such a configuration would have improved/complemented the *Okada-Odendaal* system, which also uses device information to control/adjust power delivery in a closed-loop feedback fashion, but does so at the onset of charging. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0069-0076, FIG. 3; §§IX.A.1(a)-(b).) Implementing features similar to those described by *Berghegger* would have ensured "a sufficient amount" of power is "available on the secondary side" during power delivery (whether initiated at a low/intermediate/high level) while also preventing "an unnecessarily large amount of energy being consumed on the primary side" to achieve a "more energy-efficient continuous operation." (Ex. 1006, 2:28-44; Ex. 1002, ¶155.)

A POSITA would have recognized *Berghegger* teaches that power required by a load "is **variable in time**" and thus a closed-looped control feature (similar to that described in *Berghegger*) would enable accurately adjusted power delivery based on the time-varying power demand during powering/charging operations. (*Supra*; Ex. 1006, 6:12-15.) A POSITA would have thus been motivated to configure/modify the *Okada-Odendaal* system to implement drive circuitry (including FET driver(s), FET switches, and a capacitor (*see* below)) to allow fine tuning of the determined power level while the mobile device is charged. (Ex. 1002, ¶156.)

Berghegger also teaches that using a capacitor with the primary-side inductor "to obtain a serial resonant circuit" which "has the advantage" of "improv[ing]" the "power transmission from the primary side to the secondary side" (Ex. 1006, 2:58-61) and also choosing the highest frequency produced by the VCO to be "equal to the resonant frequency of said serial resonant circuit" (id., 2:61-64). A POSITA was aware that capacitor circuits provided benefits in improving power transmissions in an inductive-based systems, like Okada-Berghegger (e.g., minimizing/reducing unwanted radiations and heat issues caused by harmonics, etc.) (Ex. 1002, ¶¶157-159; Ex. 1016, 631 ("Resonant circuits...useful for constructing filters"), 641, 798, ("blocks out all higher harmonics"); Ex. 1013, (capacitor/switches reducing harmonics from primary coil), FIGS. 3 (annotated below), 6, 3:29-4:5, 4:19-5:7 (resonant circuit that "reduce harmonics and eddy current" to minimize heat and "without causing excessive energy loss"), 7:24-8:14, 8:17-23, 24-31, 9:26-12:27); Ex. 1008, 2:16-19; Ex. 1001, 21:17-34 (acknowledging

harmonics are "undesirable").)



(*See also* Ex. 1012, FIGS. 2, 5 (C1 25, inductor 9), 8 (same), 3:30-62, 8:47-9:51; Ex. 1014, 67-68 ("filter...for *reduction of harmonic output*"); *id.*, 62-68; Ex. 1015, FIGS. 1-2, 5-12, Abstract, 1:55-2:10, 3:28-51, 4:22-44, 5:45-6:4); Ex. 1020, Abstract, (harmonic reducing tuning capacitor); Ex. 1021, ¶¶00164-0165 ("**known in the art to drive coils using parallel or series resonant circuits**" to allow "maximum current flow[] through the primary coil"); Ex. 1029, 22-25; Ex. 1002, ¶¶57-65, 159.)

In light of *Berghegger* and a POSITA's knowledge, a POSITA would have been motivated to consider/implement a capacitor with the drive circuit(s)/primary
coil(s) in PTM10 of *Okada-Odendaal* to improve power transmission and reduce harmonics. (Ex. 1002, ¶160.)

A POSITA would have had the skill and rationale in implementing, and expectation of success in achieving, the above-modification, especially given the use of capacitors and closed-loop feedback control technologies/techniques for adjusting power delivery was known (*e.g.*, *Okada* and *Berghegger*). (Ex. 1002, ¶161.) Such a modification would have involved applying known technologies/techniques (*e.g.*, FET-based drive circuitry in closed-loop feedback power transfer system with capacitive filtering to adjust power delivery) to yield the predictable result of an inductive power/charging system that ensures sufficient power is provided efficiently during power delivery with reduced heat waste and signal distortion. (*Id.*) *KSR* at 416-18.

There were various ways for a POSITA to implement such modifications. (Ex. 1002, ¶162.) For example, an appropriately designed capacitor-based filter positioned between switches 21/22/23 and primary coil 19, or between switching circuit 15 and the switches would have achieved above-noted filtering benefits (*e.g.*, reduced harmonics). (*Id.*) Another example is where *Okada*'s features/components used to receive/pass/process device information in PTM10 for power transfer control (*e.g.*, demodulator 35, circuits 36-38 (Ex. 1005, ¶0064; *infra* §§IX.A.1(d)-(e)) would have been leveraged to achieve the noted beneficial power delivery features during

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charging/powering operations (*e.g.*, use received device information (like  $U_C$  in *Berghegger*) to control operating frequency of the modified/configured drive circuit (*e.g.*, switching circuit 15, etc.). (Ex. 1002, ¶162; *infra* §IX.A.1(e).)<sup>10</sup>

(2) <u>1(c)(2):</u> ...that when operated apply an alternating electrical current to the one or more primary coils to generate a magnetic field in a direction substantially perpendicular to the plane of the one or more primary coils and the surface of the system...

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶163-168; §§IX.A.1(a)-(c)(1); IX.A.1(c)(3).)

The above-discussed *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system would have included a drive circuit (with FET driver(s) and switch(es) and associated capacitor) having a closed-loop feedback control. (\$IX.A.1(c)(1).) In light of *Berghegger-Okada*, a POSITA would have understood that such a drive circuit in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system, during operation, would have provided an alternating signal to a primary coil L<sub>P</sub>. (Ex. 1002, ¶164; Ex. 1006, Abstract ("**alternating signal...supplied to the inductor (L<sub>P</sub>)**"), 4:41-42, 6:5-9, 8:13-15; \$IX.A.1(c)(1); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0110-0111.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The examples do not limit the possible modifications/implementations. Other successful designs/configurations could/would have been contemplated. (Ex. 1002, ¶162.)

Consistent with such teachings, a POSITA would have also understood that the ac signal applied to the primary coils in the modified Okada system would have generated a "substantially perpendicular" "magnetic field" as claimed, given such a field would have been the natural result of activating the primary coil to inductively transfer power as described by Okada, Odendaal, and Berghegger. (Ex. 1002, ¶165-168; Ex. 1005, ¶0035, 0051, 0056, 0063, 0066, 0121, ¶0127-0132, FIGS. 11(b) and 13(b); Ex. 1006, 4:25-27 ("charge mode" where LP is "magnetically coupled with" LS), 6:5-9; Ex. 1008, 1:17-20, 2:1-29); §IX.A.1(b); Ex. 1011, 557-562, 593-594, 601; Ex. 1009, 2:62-3:8 ("current is inducted into" receiving device "when magnetic field lines are approximately 90 degrees to the first part of the transformer"), 1:54-2:18, 3:20-4:11, FIGS. 1-3; Ex. 1010, FIGS. 1-5B, 8:55-9:52, FIGS. 6A-10, 7:21-8:54, 9:53-10:22, 11:27-14:67; Ex. 1029, 3-4, 27-50); Ex. 1019, FIG. 2B (showing magnetic field (blue below) perpendicular (green) to charger surface 1), ¶¶0027, 0064.)

FIG. 2B



A POSITA would have understood planar primary coils in the *Okada-Berghegger-Odendaal* system would have likewise generated a magnetic field that was substantially perpendicular to the plane of coils 19 and system surface, as known in the art. (Ex. 1002, ¶166-168; §IX.A.1(b); Ex. 1011, 558, 559 ("magnetic field at the center of [a wire] loop is perpendicular to the plane of the loop"), 562-564, 592; Ex. 1048, Abstract, FIGS. 1-6, 1:28-2:4, 2:27-3:14, 4:11-24, 5:23-6:15, claims 1-88; Ex. 1049, Abstract, FIGS. 1, 5-6, 9, 11-12, 24-26, ¶10008-0010, 0044-0051, 0065-0066; Ex. 1050, Abstract, FIGS. 1-5, 9A-9C, 5:22-6:45, 11:22-33, 12:28-38, 16:25-17:23, 17:61-18:3 ("**substantially perpendicular**" magnetic field from planar coils).)

(3) <u>1(c)(3):</u> ... to provide power to the one or more portable devices capable of being powered or charged by the system when present and near the one or more primary coils;

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶169-172.)

*Okada* discloses detecting the presence, proximity, and alignment of a mobile device capable of being powered/charged to primary coil 19 before providing power to the device like that claimed in limitation 1(c)(3). (§§IX.A.1(a)-1(c)(2); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0056-0058, Ex. 1002, ¶170.) PTM10 receives "a code indicating that a device is capable of receiving power" from PRM40 used by circuit 36 to "evaluate whether supplying power to the device via the common cradle 4 is **feasible**." (Ex. 1005,

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¶0057; *id.*, FIG. 3 (annotated below), ¶¶0059-0064 (circuit 36 determines whether portable device is mounted) (*e.g.*, whether a "**capable**" device is "**present**" over "**the one or more primary coils**"), 0065-0068 (determining whether coil 41 is "arranged at positions having high power transmission efficiency" based on positional offset ("**near**" primary coils), 0069, 0073-0076 (provide appropriate power to properly positioned device (FIG. 3, Steps 6-12) and continue to check after onset of power/charge operations (FIG. 3, Steps 13-20), 0090.) (Ex. 1002, ¶171.)



Similar features would have been provided/implemented in the abovediscussed *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system. (Ex. 1002, ¶172.) Thus, when operated as discussed for limitation 1(c)(2), the drive circuit(s) in the modified system would have provided power to "capable" portable device(s) "when present and near the one or more primary coils." (*Id.*)

> d) one or more sense circuits to monitor the current through the one or more primary coils to sense communications from the one or more receiver coils; and

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶173-179; §§IX.A.1(a)-(c).)

Limitation 1(g) recites "sens[ing] [a response from the receiver circuit(s)] via the one or more sense circuits as a modulation of one or more primary coil currents." (*Infra* §IX.A.1(g).) In *Okada*, PTM10 transmits a carrier wave signal to PRM40, resulting in PDA3 to generate/send a modulated signal including device information back to PTM10 via coils 41 and 19. Circuit 35 "demodulates modulated signals included with the voltage from" primary coil 19 (Ex. 1005, ¶0042), and the information is evaluated by power transmission capability evaluating circuit 36, power amount evaluating circuit 37, full capacity evaluating circuit 38 as part of power transfer operations. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0060-0077); §IX.A.1(a)-1(c)(3); Ex. 1002, ¶174.) Thus, demodulating circuit 35 is an example of "one or more sense circuits" given it receives/demodulates a modulated response signal from PRM40 via coil 19. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 2, ¶¶0050, 0064, 0069, 0076; Ex. 1002, ¶174.)

*Okada*'s teachings are also consistent with PO's litigation assertions, which points to a demodulator or the like for the claimed "**one or more sense circuits**." (Ex. 1018, 22-24 (alleging accused device includes "a **demodulator** as relevant to this part of the claim," where "[t]he **demodulator** senses current modulation in the charger coil to detect a communication from the receiver..."), 24-25 ("detection of communications by the transmitter by way of current **modulation**"), 36, 54.)<sup>11</sup>

*Okada* explains that the modulation method may be based on "periodic intensity modulation of a carrier wave and may use a phase modulation method to express 0/1 information via phase change information of a signal." (Ex. 1005, ¶0058.) However, to the extent such sense circuit and current monitoring features like that claimed is not disclosed, a POSITA would have found it obvious to modify/use circuit 35 to monitor/detect the current of the waveform through the primary coil(s) to sense/detect communications from the receiver coil(s). (Ex. 1002, ¶175.) Indeed, modulating/demodulating a waveform (as discussed in *Okada*) and sensing communications based on an inherent property of the waveform (e.g.,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Petitioner does not concede any feature in the accused instrumentalities meet this or any claim limitation.

current) in order to detect/sense/process information contained therein would have been one of "a finite number of identified, predictable solutions." KSR at 421. (Ex. 1002, ¶176.) Thus, a POSITA would have been motivated to configure the modified Okada provide modulation/demodulation-type system to current techniques/technologies (including current sense circuit(s)) to facilitate (and sense) the communication of information from the secondary side, consistent with that known in the art. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶176-178; Ex. 1056, Abstract, 2:7-9, 2:38-44, 4:21-34, 5:12-14, 6:12-33; Ex. 1057, 9:20-24, 15:16-21, 21:21-22:3, FIGS. 1-3, 11-13; Ex. 1058, Abstract, FIGS. 1, 3A-8, 3:25-4:35, 5:27-7:23, 10:22-24, 10:25-12:17; infra §IX.A.1(g).) (See also Ex. 1001, 23:38-45) (discussing "current modulation" in context of conventional technologies, which supports that such features were known); Ex. 1063; Ex. 1002, ¶¶176-178.)

Indeed, *Okada* describes verifying PDA3's presence by measuring intensity of the signal(s) communicated via primary coil(s) 19 and secondary coil 12. (Ex. 1005, FIGS. 4(a)-4(b), ¶¶0066-0068, 0074-0076, FIG. 8 (current sensor 91), 0110 ("**current measuring sensor**" measuring current "through the primary-side coil 19" when PDA3 "is in proximity" of cradle 4), 0111.) Thus, a POSITA would have found it obvious to configure/implement such current sensing/modulation/demodulation features in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system for detecting communications of the information signal (*e.g.*, device capability code) when received via coil 19 so that it is timely/properly recognized, demodulated, and used to verify that PDA3 is "placed in a correct position" and "capable of data transmission and reception." (*Id.*, ¶0080, FIGS. 3, 8, 4(a)-4(b), ¶¶0081-0082; Ex. 1002, ¶178.) A POSITA would have been motivated to implement such a modification in light of *Okada*'s teachings, *e.g.*, using signal intensity and sensed current in coil 19 for determining/verifying PDA3 presence, and state-of-art knowledge (as exemplified above). A POSITA would have considered various ways of configuring the modification, such as configuring the "sense circuit(s)" associated with current sensors 91, demodulation circuit 35, and/or other components to allow PTM10 to monitor the current through coil(s) 19 to sense communications from PRM40 via coil 41, consistent with known current modulation/demodulation techniques. (Ex. 1002, ¶178.)

A POSITA would have had the requisite skills and rationale to design/implement such "sensor circuit(s)..." and related current modulation/demodulation-type features in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system, and done so with a reasonable expectation of success given the teachings of *Okada* and the knowledge of such a POSITA at the time. (Ex. 1002, ¶179.) Especially since such modification would have involved applying known technologies/techniques (as discussed above) to predictable yield an inductive power transfer system that senses when communications are received by coil 41 of PRM40

in the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger system. (Id.; infra §§IX.A.1(e)-(1).) KSR, 550

at 416.

e) one or more communication and control circuits including one or more microcontrollers coupled to the one or more drive circuits and the one or more sense circuits that detect communications through the one or more sense circuits via the one or more primary coils and control the one or more drive circuits to control the powering or charging of the one or more compatible portable devices;

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶180-185.)

As explained, circuit 33 provides a carrier wave to PRM40 that causes responsive device information from circuit 47 of PRM40 via coils 41-19 to be received/processed by demodulator 35. (§§IX.A.1(c)-(d); Ex. 1005, ¶¶56-57, 0062-0064.) Evaluation circuits 36-38 "perform various decision-making processes based on information included in the signal demodulated by the demodulating circuit 35." (Ex. 1005, FIG. 2, ¶0042, FIG. 3, ¶¶0060-0077.) Those circuits control power transmission processes (FIG. 3) by providing signals to circuit 24 that controls/selects switches 21/22/23 (part of "drive circuit[]"). (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0057-0076; §§IX.A.1(a)-(c).) Circuits 36-38 also provide a signal to switching control 61 (Ex. 1005, ¶0045) that determines whether "data can be transmitted and received" (*id.*, ¶0081, ¶¶0082-0085) and determines whether PDA3's charge capacity exceeds a "minimum capacity" for it to transmit/receive data (*id.*, ¶0082-

0089, FIG. 6). Circuits 36-38 additionally control LEDs 25-26 that communicates charging status to a user. (*Id.*, ¶¶0041, 0053-0055, 0061, 0069-0072, 0077, FIG. 5; Ex. 1002, ¶181.)

Thus, one or more circuits 36/37/38 and oscillation circuit 33 collectively disclose one example of "one or more communication and control circuits [FIG. 2, yellow below]...coupled to the one or more drive circuits [*e.g.*, §IX.A.1(c)(1)] and the one or more sense circuits [§IX.A.1(d), pink]" that "detect communications through the one or more sense circuits [magenta] via the one or more primary coils [§IX.A.1(d)]" and "control the one or more drive circuits [*e.g.*, §IX.A.1(c)(1)] to control the powering or charging of the one or more compatible portable devices [§§IX.A.1(a)-(d)]" as claimed. (*Supra*; Ex. 1002, ¶182; Ex. 1005, FIG. 2; §§IX.A.1(a)-(d).) Other components may also be included in such claimed "communication and control circuit(s)," *e.g.*, switching controller 61, and/or "switching controller 73" in the multi-coil arrangement of FIG. 7 "system," (Ex. 1005, FIG. 7 (annotated below), ¶10094-0115; §IX.A.1(i).)

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Such inter-relationships would have enabled the "**communication and control circuit(s)**" implemented in the modified *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system to "**detect communications**" and "**the one or more drive circuits to control**" the powering/charging of PDA3 like that claimed and explained above. (Ex. 1002, ¶183; §IX.A.1(c)(1).) A POSITA would have been motivated to configure the above-identified "**communication and control circuits**" in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system to convert the power demand information received from demodulator 35 into a control signal for controlling the operating frequency of the modified "**drive circuit(s)**" to adjust power delivery during charging/powering operations, as explained. (§IX.A.1(c); Ex. 1002, ¶183.)

Circuits 33, 36-38 may be "configured on the same IC chip," *e.g.*, "IC 20," which includes other components like "controller" 61, 73. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0046, 0081-0084, FIGS. 2, 7.) Such circuitry would have been understood as compact integrated circuitry designed to perform/given certain operations in PTM10, which is consistent with a "**microcontroller**" as understood by a POSITA in context of the '500 patent. (Ex. 1002, ¶184; Ex. 1001, 23:28-43, 38:29-34 (exemplifying an "IC" or "chip" as a "microcontroller").) The same is true where "switching controller 73" is part of such "**communication and control circuit(s**)" since it sends "instructions" to control the switching to select specific primary coils. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0095, 0101; §IX.A.1(i).)

To the extent PO argues/or it is determined the claimed "microcontroller" requires a processor or the like, it would have been obvious to configure PTM10 in the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger to include such features because it would have been a foreseeable application of known technologies/techniques to use in PTM10, which uses integrated circuit(s) to perform "control[ler]"-type operations. (Supra; Ex. 1002, ¶185; Ex. 1006, 5:65-6:59, FIGS. 4-5 (controller 40); Ex. 1024, 6:60-7:14 (inductive power source including "microprocessor controller 308" for controlling modes of power supply operation), FIG. 3.) A POSITA would have appreciated implementing well-known processor-based microcontroller technology with PTM10 would have been an obvious variation to how the module can perform similar functionalities, while providing known programmable functionalities. A POSITA would have had the skills and rationale to implement such a modification, and given the known technology and Okada's teachings, would have done so with a reasonable expectation of success. (Ex. 1002, ¶185.)

> f) wherein the one or more communication and control circuits: operate the one or more drive circuits near a first resonant frequency of a circuit formed by a primary coil and a drive circuit and a receiver coil and a receiver circuit of a compatible portable device when nearby;

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶186-189; §§IX.A.1(a)-(e).) As discussed for limitation 1(b), Okada discloses a receiver coil 41 and receiver circuit(s). (§IX.A.1(b).) As

discussed for limitations 1(c), 1(e), the above-discussed communication/control circuit(s) in the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger system would have "operate[d] the drive circuit(s)" by e.g., providing control signals to circuit 24 for selecting one of switches 21/22/23 at the **onset** of a charging process, and/or by providing control signal(s) based on received/demodulated device power demand information to control the operation frequency of the "drive circuit(s)" (*e.g.*, reconfigured switching circuit 15, etc.) during the charging process in the modified system. (§§IX.A.1(c)-(e); Ex. 1002, ¶187.) For similar reasons, and in view of *Berghegger*'s teachings, a POSITA would have been motivated and found obvious to configure the communication/control circuit(s) to operate the drive circuit(s) "near a first resonant frequency" of a circuit formed by primary coil 19 and the drive circuit components, and receiver coil 41 and the identified "receiver circuit" of PDA3, like that claimed. (Id.)

*Berghegger* teaches that when a load is placed on the secondary side (*e.g.*, PDA3 placed on cradle 4), "the oscillation frequency [of drive circuit 40] **approaches the resonant frequency**, whereby the transmitted power increases." (Ex. 1006, 4:32-40.) A POSITA would have understood that such "resonant frequency" is that of a circuit formed by primary-side components (including primary coil and drive circuitry (including resonant capacitor)) and secondary-side components (including secondary coil and receiver circuitry). (Ex. 1002, ¶188.)

Berghegger explains that when there is no load to the secondary side, the resonance frequency is that of a circuit "formed by the inductor L<sub>P</sub> on the primary side and the resonant capacitor C<sub>P</sub>." (Ex. 1006, 4:27-32.) When a load exists on the secondary side, the resonant frequency factors into the impedance of the components on the secondary side. (Id., 4:32-35 ("A load on the coil on the secondary side results in a change in impedance of the coil L<sub>s</sub> on the secondary side and thus in an offresonance setting of the resonant circuit towards higher frequencies.").) A POSITA would have understood the above-discussed modified Okada system (§§IX.A.1(b)-(e)), which would have included similar features/functionalities (e.g., frequency adjustment to driver circuitry for adjusting power delivery based on power demand information) and thus predictably resulted in the communication/control circuit(s) being configured to operate the "drive circuit(s)" of the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger system (§IX.A.1(c)) "near a first resonant frequency...." like that claimed. (Ex. 1002, ¶188.) A POSITA would have had the same rationale, skills, knowledge, and expectation of success as explained above for limitations 1(c), 1(e), to configure the communication/control circuit as discussed above. (§§IX.A.1(c), 1(e); Ex. 1002, ¶188.)

Furthermore, as discussed for limitation 1(c)(3), *Okada* discloses that power is delivered only when a "compatible" portable device is properly placed/proximate/aligned to cradle 4/primary coil 19. (§IX.A.1(c)(3).) For similar

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reasons, the communication/control circuit(s) in the above-discussed *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system would have operated the "drive circuit(s)" when [the device] is "**nearby**," as claimed. (*Id.*; Ex. 1002, ¶189.)

g) switch the one or more primary coils at a frequency and power level sufficient to transfer power to one or more of the receiver units when near the one or more primary coils for a sufficiently long period of time to activate the one or more receiver circuits and to receive a response from the one or more receiver circuits via the one or more receiver coils which the one or more primary coils sense via the one or more sense circuits as a modulation of one or more primary coil currents;

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶190-195; §§IX.A.1(a)-(f).)

As explained, the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system discloses/suggests that "the one or more communication and control circuits" (*e.g.*, circuits 36-38) "operate the one or more drive circuits near a first resonant frequency of a circuit...when nearby." (§§IX.A.1(e); IX.A.1(c)(1).) *Berghegger* teaches using a control signal (U<sub>C</sub>) provided to a drive circuit to adjust the switching frequency of switches (S1-S2) that drive a primary coil based on device power demand to ensure "a sufficient amount of electrical power is always available on the secondary side." (§IX.A.1(c)(1); Ex. 1006, 2:28-34, 3:51-6:37, FIGS. 1(b), 2, 4; Ex. 1002, ¶191.)

For reasons similar to that explained above, the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system would have been configured to provide a control signal to the modified

switching circuitry 15 (part of the "drive circuit(s)") to adjust the switching frequency of FET switches, as modified and similar to that disclosed in *Berghegger* (*e.g.*, switches S1/S2), to drive coil 19 (at the switched frequency and power level) based on received PDA3 power demand information (*e.g.*, part of the information sent by PRM40 as discussed by *Okada*) to ensure sufficient power is provided to PDA3 (and its "receiver units" (§IX.A.1(b)) as its load changes during power/charge operations, when properly positioned in cradle 4. (§IX.A.1(c)(1), IX.A.1(e); Ex. 1002, ¶192.) Thus, the above-discussed *Okada-Berghegger* combination discloses and/or suggests "switch[ing] the one or more primary coils at a frequency and power level sufficient to transfer power to one or more of the receiver units when near the one or more primary coils." (Ex. 1002, ¶192.)

Further, *Okada* discloses the switching signal from circuit 15 is converted to a  $V_{CC}$  to power components in PTM10, including circuit 33, which generates "a prescribed carrier wave at a certain interval" that is sent to PRM40. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0039, 0056-0057; §§IX.A.1(a)-(c).) A DC signal "generated by a carrier wave provided by the carrier wave oscillating circuit 33 can be **used as a driving power source for the clock extracting circuit 46 and the modulating circuit 47**" in the "**receiver circuit(s)**" of PRM40. (Ex. 1005, ¶0058.) As explained, even during power transmission, the carrier wave is periodically transmitted to PRM40, and, based on the received device information, PTM10 determines whether PDA3 remains and/or is properly positioned. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0074-0075; SIX.A.1(c)(3).) Only when properly positioned does PDA3 receive power until fully charged, which is determined using the "periodically transmitted" carrier wave. (Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶0074, 0076; SIX.A.1(c)(3).) A POSITA would have thus understood PDA3 has to be properly placed near primary coil 19 for at least a sufficient period of time to allow the periodic carrier wave and responsive device information to be communicated in order to facilitate powering/charging of the device. (Ex. 1002, ¶193.)

Likewise, a POSITA would have found obvious to modify the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system to have similar features, where the above-discussed carrier wave-device information communications, and resulting switching of primary coil(s) 19 at a frequency and sufficient power level transferred to PRM40's receiver unit would have been performed at "a sufficiently long period of time to activate the one or more receiver circuits" and to receive responsive device information from modulating circuit 47 of PRM40 via coil 41 ("to receive a response from the one or more receiver circuits via the one or more receiver circuits via the one or more receiver coils"). (Ex. 1002, ¶194; §§IX.A.1(b)-(e); Ex. 1005, ¶¶56-57, 0062-0064.) Moreover, the analysis above for limitation1(d) demonstrates how the modified system would have been configured to use known current modulation/demodulation-type techniques/technologies), such that coil 19 would sense communication(s)

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(device information) from PRM40, thus resulting in the "primary coil(s)" sensing the "response" from the receiver circuits/coils via "sense circuit(s)" as a modulation of current in the primary coil(s), like that recited in limitation 1(g). (§IX.A.1(d); Exs. 1056-1058, 1063; Ex. 1002, ¶¶194-195.)

h) detect, through the one or more sense circuits, communications from the one or more receiver units through the one or more receiver coils including information corresponding to one or more voltages at one or more outputs of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits induced by the one or more primary coils and the one or more receiver coils and information associated with the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units to enable the one or more communication and control circuits to identify the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units to enable the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units to identify the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units to identify the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units and to determine any one or more appropriate charging or powering algorithm profiles therefor;

Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger in view of Black discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶196-206; §§IX.A.1(a)-(g).)

As discussed, a POSITA would have been motivated to configure the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system to implement closed-loop feedback controlled frequency switching power delivery based on device information to provide appropriate power to accommodate changes in PDA3's load during power/charging operations. (§IX.A.1(c)(1).) For reasons explained, the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system would have "detected, through...sense circuit(s), communications" from the "receiver unit" through "receiver coil" 41 (§IX.A.1(b))

that includes information corresponding PDA3 device to (e.g., compatibility/capability, power level, and charge status information) ("information associated with the one or more portable devices and/or receiver units") used to facilitate power/charge operations, like that described by *Okada*. (§§IX.A.1(d)-(g); see also §§IX.A.1(a)-(c); Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0056-0057, 0059-0077).) Also explained above, and consistent with Okada's operations, "code indicating that a device is capable of receiving power" processed by PTM10 would have been used by ("enable[d]") circuit 36 in the "communication and control circuit(s)" of the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger system (§IX.A.1(e)) "to identify" PDA3 (or its receiver unit (§IX.A.1(b)) because circuit 36 uses such information to determine whether a device capable of receiving power is properly positioned with the charger to maintain or initiate power delivery. (§§IX.A.1(c)-(g); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0064-0077, FIG. 3; Ex. 1002, ¶197.)

Moreover, similar to *Okada*, *Berghegger* describes communicating power demand information associated with a receiving device load. (\$IX.A.1(c).) *Berghegger* teaches how power demand information at the load can be **measured as a voltage at the output of a receiver rectifier circuit**, which is induced by the signals communicated from the primary coil to the secondary coil. For example, a detection means 42 measure the voltage (**pink** below) rectified by rectifier GL (**blue**) across the load R<sub>L</sub> or batteries (**red** below) that is fed back to the primary-side and used as a control signal  $U_C$  to allow controller 40 to adjust the switching frequency of the primary coil via switches S1-S2 (FIG. 1(b)). (Ex. 1006, FIGS. 1(b), 2, 4-5, 5:65-6:37.) As shown in FIG. 5 (below), the "**signal about the power demand on the secondary side [may be] transmitted via the two inductors L<sub>P</sub> and L<sub>s</sub> to the primary side**," *e.g.*, a voltage signal measured by detection means 42 at the output of rectifier GL or across the battery/load. (*Id.*, 6:16-20, 6:50-53.) (Ex. 1002, ¶198; §IX.A.1(c)(1).)



In light of such teachings, in addition to the reasons discussed above (§§IX.A.1(c)-(g)), a POSITA would have found it obvious to configure the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system such that the information communicated from PRM40 to PTM10 includes information corresponding to PDA3 (*e.g., Okada*'s device capability/compatibility, charge status) and power demand information reflecting the **voltage at the output of the rectifier** 43 (which provides the DC signal to charge/power PDA3) (similar to that taught/suggested by *Berghegger*) to

facilitate the power adjustment features discussed above. (§§IX.A.1(c)-(g); Ex. 1002, ¶199.) A POSITA would have had similar rationale, skills, and expectation of success as that discussed above for the modifications involving *Berghegger*'s teachings. (*Id.*; §§IX.A.1(c)-(g).) Indeed, like above, configuring the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system as discussed above would have involved the use of known technologies/techniques (*e.g.*, voltage detection/measuring mechanism and inductive power/data transfer mechanism to adjust power delivery based on device power information), like those taught/suggested by *Okada-Berghegger*. (Ex. 1002, ¶199.)

While *Okada-Berghegger* disclose communicating device information for adjusting charging/powering operations, neither expressly "**determin[ing] any charging or powering algorithm profile(s)**" based on such information. However, a POSITA would been motivated, and found obvious, to configure the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system such that PTM10 uses the device information from PRM40 to determine a charging/powering algorithm profile to improve and/or complement the power delivery control features discussed above. (Ex. 1002, ¶200.)

A POSITA would have been motivated to implement such a modification given *Okada* discloses using the device information to determine a power level (low/intermediate/high) based on power requirements of the portable device. (Ex. 1002, ¶201; Ex. 1005, FIGS. 3, 5, ¶¶0069, 0073-0076, 0090.) Moreover, it was

known to use charging algorithm profile(s) to control battery charging in mobile devices (*e.g.*, to avoid overcharging). (Ex. 1002, ¶201.) Indeed, the '500 patent acknowledges "[m]ost mobile devices today already include a Charge Management IC...to control charging of their internal battery." (Ex. 1001, 37:19-17.) Consistent with such knowledge, *Black* describes communicating charging profile information for controlling charging operations in an inductive power transfer system having similar features like those of *Okada-Berghegger*.

*Black* discloses inductive charging a portable device battery, where the battery includes a transceiver for communications with a charger. (Ex. 1007, Abstract, FIGS. 1-2, ¶¶0002, 0013-0017.) As shown in FIGS. 1-2 (below), a battery 100/200 includes a charging coupler 108/208 coupled to cell 104/204 through charging circuit 110/210, and communications coupler 112/212. (*Id.*, ¶¶0015, 0017.)



FIG. 1



"The first coil 212 may be a portion of the second coil 208." (*Id.*, FIG. 2, ¶0018.) When the battery is placed in range of the inductive charger, communications between them "may take place and inductive charging can occur." (*Id.*, ¶0019; Ex. 1002, ¶¶98-100, 202.)

*Black* is in the same technical field as *Okada-Berghegger*, and the '500 patent, given it describes an inductive power transfer system where information is communicated between a primary and secondary-side. (§§IX.A.1(a), IX.A.1(c); Ex. 1007, FIGS. 1-4, ¶¶0002, 0005, 0012-0028.) Like *Okada-Berghegger*, *Black* discloses features that were reasonably pertinent to one or more particular problems the inventor for the '500 patent (and POSITA) was trying to solve. (Ex. 1001, 10:43-51; Ex. 1007, Abstract, ¶0021; Ex. 1002, ¶203.) Therefore, a POSITA would have considered the teachings of *Black* when looking to design/implement the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system. (*Id.*)

*Black* additionally discloses a procedure for "device identification and charging," where battery information is requested/received upon detecting the presence of the battery. (Ex. 1007, FIG. 3 (below), ¶0020.)



The information may include, *e.g.*, device ID and additional information, *e.g.*, "the type of device the battery 100 is coupled to, encryption information, **battery characteristics** or **charging profile**." (*Id.*, ¶0021.) Charger 120 inductively charges the battery based on the received information. (*Id.*, ¶0022; Ex. 1002, ¶204.)

In light of *Black*, a POSITA would have been motivated and found obvious to modify the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger* system to include charging algorithm profiles associated with PDA3's battery ("**appropriate charging or powering algorithm profiles**") with the device information communicated by PRM40 ("**communications from the one or more receiver units**") and used by circuits 36-

38 (part of the "**communication and control circuit(s)**") to enhance the control of power to PDA3 as described by *Okada-Berghegger*. (§§IX.A.1(c)-(g); *supra*.) A POSITA would have appreciated having charging algorithm profile information would have allowed the modified PTM10 to accurately/properly adjust the power suitable for each specific battery/ device determined to be capable of, and properly positioned, to receive such power, as discussed. (*Id*.; Ex. 1002, ¶205.)

A POSITA would have had reasons to consider and implement such features given it was known different types of batteries/portable devices have different power/charge characteristics/algorithm-profiles. (Ex. 1007, ¶0003; Ex. 1037, 1:56-2:6, 2:18-19, 6:51-7:2, 7:36-53, FIGS. 4A-4C; Ex. 1039, Abstract, 3:23-35, FIG. 1, 5:20-34; Ex. 1002, ¶206.) As such, a POSITA had the requisite motivation, skills, knowledge to implement, and reasonable expectation of success in achieving, the above-discussed modification, especially since it would have involved applying known technologies/techniques (*e.g.*, charging algorithms profiles to control charging) to yield the predictable result of providing an inductive power/charging system that uses specific device information to control power transfer, consistent with the features disclosed by *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black.* (*Id.*) *KSR*, 550 at 416-18.

## i) for each portable device, determine the primary coil electromagnetically most aligned with the receiver coil of the portable device;<sup>12</sup>

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶207-210; §§IX.A.1(a)-(h).)

*Okada* discloses providing power inductively when primary coil 19 is properly-aligned with a PDA3 (and secondary coil 41) where appropriate magnetic coupling exists. (§§IX.A.1(a)-(h).) Like in *Okada*, power transfer would only occur when such alignment occurs in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system. Thus, the "**communication/control circuit(s)**" in the system (§§IX.A.1(e)-(h)) would have likewise been configured to "determine the primary coil electromagnetically most aligned with the receiver coil of the portable device" in order to drive the coil 19 (and FET switches, etc.) to transfer power consistent with that disclosed by *Okada* (where power transmission efficiency is proportional to coil alignment). (*Id.*; Ex. 1005, FIGS. 4(a)-(b), ¶¶0066, 0067, 0068-0069 (evaluating positional offset amount); §IX.A.1(c)(3); Ex. 1002, ¶¶208-209.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Limitation 1(b) recites "**one or** more **primary coils**" (§IX.A.1(b)), and thus, the modified *Okada* system when implemented with a single primary coil magnetically coupled to a receiver coil of a properly aligned PDA3 (as discussed above) meets this limitation as explained herein.

Likewise, in the multi-coil "system" configuration (FIG. 7 (coil group 19x and 41x), switching controller circuitry (e.g., 73) in PTM10 can select a coil from primary coils group 19x based on detected voltage values so that a pair of primary and secondary coils "having a highest power transmission efficiency" (e.g., least misalignment) is used for power transfer. (§IX.A.1(a); Ex. 1005, ¶0105; id., ¶¶0017, 9-10.) 0094-0115, Claims Thus, for similar reasons explained, the "communications/control circuit(s)" in the above-discussed Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black system (§§IX.A.1(e)-(h)) employing coil groups like that contemplated by Okada (FIG. 7) would have similarly been configured with switching controller circuitry with the "communications/control circuit(s)" (§IX.A.1(e)) that "determine[s] the primary coil electromagnetically most aligned with the receiver coil of the portable device." (§§IX.A.1(e)-(h); Ex. 1002, ¶210.)

## j) drive the one or more FET switches associated with the most aligned one or more primary coils;

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶211-212; §§IX.A.1(a)-(i).)

As explained, the modified *Okada* system would have been configured to provide power when the most aligned primary coil 19 with the receiver coil 41 is determined (whether in a single coil 19 (*e.g.*, Ex. 1005, FIG. 2) or group coil 19x (*id.*, FIG. 7) system arrangement). (§IX.A.1(i); Ex. 1002, ¶212; Ex. 1005, ¶0069-

0073; 0094-0115.) Consistent with that discussed for limitations 1(c)-1(h)), the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system would have been configured so once proper coil alignment was determined ("**most aligned primary coil(s**)"), power transfer operations would proceed, where the FET switches (as modified and similar to that disclosed in *Berghegger (e.g.,* switches S1/S2)), associated with such aligned primary coil(s) would have been driven according to the switching frequency discussed above for limitation 1(g). (§§IX.A.1(c), IX.A.1(g), IX.A.1(i); Ex. 1002, ¶212.) Thus, for reasons similar to that explained above regarding *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* (§§IX.A.1(c)-(i)), a POSITA would have been motivated, had the requisite skills, rationale, and expectation of success, (and thus found it obvious) to drive the FET switches like that claimed. (Ex. 1002, ¶212.)

 k) periodically receive information corresponding to one or more output voltages or currents of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits via the one or more primary coils and the one or more sense circuits; and

The *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶213-217; §§IX.A.1(a)-(j).)

As discussed for limitation 1(c)(3), "[e]ven after power transmission has begun," the carrier wave is "periodically transmitted" from PTM10 to PRM40 to determine whether PDA3 is properly positioned and whether it is fully charged. (Ex. 1005, ¶¶0074-0076, FIG. 3 (annotated below); §IX.A.1(c)(3); Ex. 1002, ¶214.)



Likewise, consistent with *Okada*'s system (as modified), the "communication and control circuit(s)" in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system (§§IX.A.1(e)-(j)) would "periodically receive" the responsive device information provided by PRM40 via "primary coil" 19 (whether in a single coil 19 or in group coil 19x configuration (§§IX.A.1(i)-(j)) and demodulator 35 (*e.g.*, "sense circuit(s)" (§IX.A.1(d)) ("via the one or more primary coils and the one or more sense circuits"). (*See* §§IX.A.1(e)-(j); Ex. 1005, ¶0064-0077, 0094-0115.) (Ex. 1002, ¶215.)

Moreover, as explained, the received responsive information in the modified *Okada* system would have included *e.g.*, "power consumption information," (§§IX.A.1(a)-(j); Ex. 1005, ¶0057).) A POSITA would have understood that "power consumption information" "**corresponds to the output voltage or current of the receiver rectifier circuit**" (*e.g.*, rectifier 43) because such "information" is used by **PTM10** to determine the level of power for charging the portable device, which when received, corresponds to the level of voltage or current at the output of the rectifier 43 (that converts the received ac power signal to a DC signal used for charging the device). (*Id.*; Ex. 1005, FIG. 3, ¶¶0057, 0069-0072, Ex. 1002, ¶216.) For similar reasons explained, such information would have been received.

Additionally, consistent with that explained for limitation 1(h), in the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system, the periodically received information would have also included power demand information similar to that determined by *Berghegger*, such as voltages at output(s) of receiver rectifier circuit 43 that would have been used to generate a control signal used to adjust the frequency of the signal applied to the primary coil(s) 19 (and thus power transmission). (§§IX.A.1(h), IX.A.1(g), IX.A.1(i)-(j); Ex. 1006, 4:58-59, 5:65-6:29; Ex. 1002, ¶217.)

 regulate in a closed loop feedback manner the one or more output voltages or currents of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits by adjusting the frequency or duty cycle of the one or more drive circuits during the charging or powering of the one or more portable devices.

The Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black combination discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶218-219.)

The analysis above demonstrates how/why a POSITA would have configured the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger system to implement a closed-loop feedback control process where the "one or more communication and control circuits" (§§IX.A.1(e)-(f)) use device information received from PRM40 to control the disclosed "drive circuit(s)" during charging/powering by adjusting the frequency and/or duty cycle of the waveform applied to primary coil(s) 19 based on load variation information. (§§IX.A.1(c), 1(e), (g).) Also, for reasons explained for limitations 1(h) and 1(k), in the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black system, the load variation would have been measured as a voltage at the output of the receiver rectifier in PRM40, which is fed back to PTM10 with the power demand information for adjusting the frequency and/or duty cycle of the "drive circuit(s)" during charging/powering of the portable device. (Id.; §§IX.A.1(h), IX.A.1(k); Ex. 1006, 4:58-59, 5:65-6:29.) Accordingly, for the reasons explained (see also §§IX.A.1(a)-IX.A.1(d)-(g), IX.A.1(i)-(j)), the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* (b), combination discloses/suggests limitation 1(1). (Ex. 1002, ¶219.)

- 2. Claim 2
  - a) The system of claim 1, further comprising one or more voltage regulator circuits that can change input voltages to the one or more drive circuits between two or more levels to accommodate different powers required by the portable devices.

Okada (as modified above) in view of Masias discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶111, 220-229; §IX.A.1.)

As explained, *Okada* discloses adjusting the level of power transmission based on the mobile device's "power consumption information." (§IX.A.1; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0057, 0063-0064, 0069-0073.) To the extent that *Okada* does not expressly disclose "one or more voltage regulator circuits that can change input voltages to the one or more drive circuits between two or more levels to accommodate different powers required by the portable devices," a POSITA would have found it obvious to configure the modified *Okada* system (§IX.A.1) in view of *Masias* to implement such features. (Ex. 1002, ¶221.)

*Masias* discloses "[a] power source system including a power distribution apparatus." (Ex. 1031, Abstract.) Regarding, Figure 1 a power distribution apparatus 10 is described including an energy management system (EMS) 50 having first/second battery inlets (12/13), AC and DC external power source inlets (14/15), outlets 70/71, among other things. (*Id.*, 4:5-9.) EMS 50 manages "allocation of power from one or more power sources connected at the inlets," and also manages "the supply of power to a plurality of outlets at multiple and customizable voltage levels." (*Id.*, 4:9-13.) *Masias* explains that the inlet and outlet couplings can involve "inductive" connections. (*Id.*, 2:8-12, 3:26-29, 4:9-24, 7:9-41 (recharging done "inductively").)



(Ex. 1031, FIG. 1 (annotated).) Thus, *Masias* is similar to *Okada-Berghegger*, as it discloses a power transfer system (with indicative couplings) that provides power to a device based on its level of power consumption. (§§IX.A.1(a)-(c); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0057, 0034-0038, 148-151.) Thus, *Masias* is in a related technical field as the '500 patent and *Okada* and discloses features reasonably pertinent to particular problem(s) the inventor for the '500 patent (and POSITA) was trying to solve. (Ex. 1001, Abstract, 2:15-4:29; Ex. 1031, 6:5-37; §§IX.A.1(a)-(c); Ex. 1005, ¶¶0037-0058, 0094-0109, 0116-0126; Ex. 1002, ¶¶101-103, 222-223.) Therefore, a

POSITA would have considered *Masias* in the context of *Okada*, when looking to design/implement an inductive charging/powering system like that described by *Okada* (as modified above in §IX.A.1). (Ex. 1002, ¶223)

As shown in Figure 4 below, EMS 50 may "include **a voltage regulator device** or process to **provide multiple**, **constant**, **preprogrammed output voltages in any range**...**dependent on power needs of various equipment**." (Ex. 1031, 6:5-13; *id.*, 6:3-5 ("devices can be operated concurrently by connection at outlets 70 and 71").)



FIG. 4

(See also id., 6:14-8:14 (source system 100 uses various available power sources based on power criteria such as "output power requirements," monitors/displays
charge state, capacity, voltage, current, recharging status, etc.), 9:7-62 (mobile power source system), 10:56-12:65.) (Ex. 1002, ¶224.)

In light of *Masias*, a POSITA would have been motivated and found obvious to modify the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system to include power management features via one or more voltage regulator circuits that change input voltages to the "drive circuit(s)" (§IX.A.1(c)), similar to the features provided by EMS 50 in *Masias*, to enhance/complement the modified *Okada* system's ability to accommodate different levels of voltages supplied to different mobile devices based on respective power requirements. (Ex. 1002, ¶225.)

As discussed above, the modified *Okada* system (via, *inter alia*, *Berghegger*) accounts for mobile devices having different power requirements and variances in power demand during operation. (§IX.A.1; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0057, 0063-0064, 0069-0073; Ex. 1006, 6:12-15 ("power required by the batteries decreases with an increasing load").) Thus, a POSITA would have found it beneficial to implement such regulator circuitry capable of providing different levels of constant voltages to the drive circuit(s) based on the power requirement/demand of a detected/aligned mobile device that accommodate different types of electronic devices having different charging requirements. (Ex. 1031, 6:5-13; Ex. 1002, ¶226.)

While the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* system includes ways to adjust power level delivery to the mobile device by selecting the transformation ratio

using switching elements 21/22/23 and/or adjusting the operating frequency of the drive circuit (see §IX.A.1(c)), a POSITA would have understood that implementing the above modification based on Masias's teachings would have enhanced/complemented the Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black system. (Ex. 1002, ¶227.) For example, a POSITA would have appreciated that implementing power management circuitry (e.g., including regulator circuit(s)) at the input of the "drive circuit(s)" (§IX.A.1(c)) would have improved the flexibility of the modified Okada system in terms of, e.g., the types of external power source(s) that the system may use at the charger. (Id.) A POSITA would have recognized how Masias discloses that EMS 50 is capable of receiving different type of power sources (e.g., AC, DC, and multiple battery sources) to provide a "constant" output voltage at different levels based on such source(s), consistent with known voltage regulation technologies/techniques. (Id.; Ex. 1031, 5:37-13, 8:15-22.) Furthermore, consistent with that described by *Masias*, such a modification would have provided redundancy to ensure "uninterrupted power" is provided to the charger of the modified Okada system for facilitating the inductive power transfer features discussed above for claim 1. (§IX.A.1; Ex. 1002, ¶227; Ex. 1031, 6:48-52 ("Redundancy is provided by the power source system 100, resulting in uninterrupted power even when changing batteries").)

Thus, a POSITA would have been motivated by Masias' teachings of using a "voltage regulator" in a charging source system to provide a "regulated" and "constant" output at one of "multiple" voltage levels. (Ex. 1031, 6:5-13, 8:15-22.) A POSITA would have understood the benefits of implementing power source/management components/circuitry at the input of the modified Okada system's drive circuit given the Okada system (as modified) uses power provided to such drive circuit(s) to not only drive the primary coil but also covert it into an internal power source  $V_{cc}$  to power circuitry on the primary side. (§IX.A.1; Ex. 1002, ¶228.) Accordingly, providing a regulated, constant, and uninterrupted power at one of the multiple voltage levels based on the power demand of the mobile device in the modified Okada "system" would have enhanced overall stability of system operations while providing flexibility for power/charging mobile devices of different power requirements/demands. (Ex. 1002, ¶228.)

A POSITA would have had the skill in implementing, and expectation of success in achieving, the above-discussed modification, especially given the modification would have involved applying known technologies/techniques (*e.g.*, voltage regulator technologies/techniques for providing stable power at different voltage levels to operate charger system components and drive the primary coil for inductive charging/power operations as discussed above) to predictably yield a charging system providing uninterrupted and stable/regulated voltage levels

depending on power demand/requirement of a mobile device, consistent with the

teachings of Okada. (Ex. 1002, ¶229.) KSR at 416-18.

- B. Ground 2: Claim 4 is unpatentable under § 103(a) as being obvious over *Okada* in view of *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Calhoon* 
  - 1. Claim 4
    - a) The system of claim 1, wherein the one or more communication and control circuits are designed to receive from a receiver unit of a portable device identification information including one or more codes identifying the manufacturer of the portable device and/or receiver unit, a unique portable device and/or receiver ID code, a charge algorithm profile, and a power requirement of the portable device and/or receiver unit.

Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black in view of Calhoon discloses/suggests

this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶¶230-239; §IX.A.1.)

As discussed in limitations 1(e)-(h), *Okada* discloses that circuit 36 (part of "**communication and control circuit**[s]") receives/uses "code indicating that a device is capable of receiving power" ("**a portable device identification information**") to identify whether a device capable of receiving power is placed on the charger. (§§IX.A.1(e)-IX.A.1(h); Ex. 1005, ¶0064.) *Okada* also discloses that circuit 37 (part of "**communication and control circuit**[s]") receives/uses "power consumption information" ("**power requirement**") to determine the power amount to deliver to the mobile device. (§IX.A.1(h); Ex. 1005, ¶0057, 0067, 0069-0073.) The code/information is provided by modulating circuit 47 of receiving module 40

("receiver unit"). (*Id.*; §§IX.A.1(b), IX.A.1(g).) Additionally, as discussed for limitation 1(h), a POSITA would have configured the modified *Okada* system in view of *Black* to configure the system to determine "charge algorithm profile(s). (§IX.A.1(h).) Thus, *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* discloses/suggests the one or more communication and control circuits (§IX.A.1(e)) configured to receive from a receiver unit of the mobile device, identification information relating to power requirement(s) of the device or its receiver unit, and information used to determine appropriate charge algorithm profile(s) for the device/receiver unit (§IX.A.1(h)). (Ex. 1002, ¶232.)

To the extent that the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* combination does not expressly disclose that communication/control unit(s) of the modified *Okada* system are configured to receive information, such as charge algorithm profile(s), manufacturer ID code(s), and unique ID code(s) of the device/receiver unit (as recited in claim 4), a POSITA would have found it obvious to include these features in view of *Calhoon*. (Ex. 1002, ¶233.)

*Calhoon* discloses an inductive charging system for a mobile device's battery charger/battery pack. (Ex. 1041, Abstract, FIGS. 2-3 (below), ¶¶0002, 0008-0010, 0022-0029, 0045, 0065.) (Ex. 1002, ¶¶104-106, 234.)

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*Calhoon* describes obtaining an **ID**/serial number of a power receiver, *e.g.*, a battery charger (charger assembly 304) or a battery (battery pack 350) and wirelessly communicating that information to a power source (*e.g.*, inductive charging source 302). (Ex. 1041, Abstract, ¶¶0022, 0034, 0046-0048, 0050-0052, 0056, FIGS. 3, 5A, 6.) *Calhoon* explains controller 316 in battery charger 304 may include data, "such as **a battery charger ID number**, **serial number**, **manufacturer's name**," which can be used "for novel power operations…such as shown in FIGS. 5A, 5B, and 6." (*Id.*, ¶0038; *id.*, FIGS. 5A-6, ¶¶0034, 0042-0044, 0045-0048, 0049, 0050-0052, 0056.) Indeed:

the inductive charging source 302 can request other information relevant to the battery charger assembly 304, such as a battery charger identification (ID) number,...serial number of the battery charger or the serial number of the battery pack. *This information can be used for* security, data integrity, or other purposes. In process block 508, the battery charger assembly 304 transmits the requested information.

(Ex. 1041, ¶0047; Ex. 1002, ¶234.)

A POSITA would have thus understood that *Calhoon*'s inductive power receiver includes "a portable device identification information" that includes "one or more codes identifying the manufacturer of the portable device and/or receiver unit" (*e.g.*, manufacturer's name) and "a unique portable device and/or

**receiver ID code**" (e.g., a battery charger ID number, serial number) (Ex. 1002, ¶235.) Indeed, these information are "identification" information given the information can be wirelessly transmitted "for security, data integrity, or other purposes." (Ex. 1006, ¶0047; *id.*, FIGS. 3-5A, ¶¶0036-0037, 0040-0043.)

*Calhoon* describes features in the same technical field as *Okada* (as modified) and the '500 patent, and also discloses features reasonably pertinent to particular problems the inventor for the '500 patent was trying to solve. (*See* above citations to *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* (§IX.A.1) and *Calhoon*; Ex. 1001, Abstract, 1:19-42, 2:15-4:29; Ex. 1041, ¶¶0022, 0029, 0034, 0045-0048, 0050, 0065, FIGS. 3, 5A, 6; Ex. 1002, ¶236.) *Calhoon*'s teachings thus would have been consulted by the inventor of the '500 patent, and a POSITA, looking to design/implement contactless power/data transfer/reception, like that described by *Okada*. (*Id*.)

In light of such teachings/suggestions, a POSITA would have been motivated, and found obvious, to configure the modified *Okada* system to include in the information received by the disclosed "communication and control circuit" (§IX.A.1(e)) code(s) identifying the manufacturer of the portable device (*e.g.*, PDA3) and/or receiver unit (§IX.A.1(b), IX.A.1(g)-IX.A.1(h)), a unique portable device and/or receiver ID code, a charge algorithm profile for the device (§IX.A.1(h)), and a power requirement of the device and/or receiver unit. (Ex. 1002, ¶237.) Such a modification would have allowed the charger (e.g., cradle 4) to verify and/or authenticate each mobile device by using the device's manufacturer's name and/or serial number or ID associated with the device and also receive charging algorithm profile information specific to the device, thus obtain such data/information directly from the device positioned/aligned to receive the appropriate power. (§IX.A.1; Ex. 1002, ¶237.)

A POSITA would have recognized the benefits of such features and thus been motivated to implement the above-modification, especially in light of the guidance offered by Calhoon. For example, a POSITA would have recognized that such a modification would have beneficially allowed cradle 4 to verify and/or authenticate each mobile device using the device's manufacturer's name and/or serial number/ID associated with the device-in addition to determining whether the device is properly positioned/aligned to receive appropriate power in accordance with the power requirement and charging capacity of the device based on the "code indicating" that a device is capable of receiving power," "power consumption information," and "full capacity information" cradle 4 already receives from PRM40. (Ex. 1002, ¶238; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0057-0076; Ex. 1041, Abstract, ¶¶0022, 0034, 0046-0048, 0050-0052, FIGS. 3, 5A, 6.) A POSITA would have understood that such modification would have allowed for verification/tracking purposes to deter improper use, thus improving security, data protection/integrity, and confirming alignment/presence of authorized/verified devices consistent with that that disclosed/suggested by Okada and *Calhoon*. (*Id.*; Ex. 1002, ¶238; Ex. 1041, ¶0050; Ex. 1005, ¶¶0034, 0078-0093.) Moreover, receiving the device's charging algorithm profile with such communicated information would have allowed the charger (cradle 4) to have such information to "determine" how to appropriately charge/power the device (*see* SIX.A.1(h)), while also providing versatility to the overall system's applications by enabling providers of the compatible mobile devices to store such device-specific information so it can be updated and shared with the charger for proper charging. (Ex. 1002, ¶238.)

A POSITA would have had the skill and rationale in implementing, and reasonable expectation of success in achieving, such modification, especially where it would have involved applying known technologies (e.g., use of identifier information charging algorithm and data (e.g., Okada/Calhoon) to verify/authenticate/confirm device(s) (receiver/battery) receiving power from an inductive power source (Okada/Calhoon) according to known methods (e.g., control transfer using device/identifier/algorithm-profile information power (Okada/Calhoon)) to yield a predictable inductive power transfer/charging system that wirelessly receives device identifying/charging profile information that can be used to monitor and facilitate proper use and device charging consistent with the teachings of Okada and Calhoon. (Ex. 1002, ¶239.) KSR at 416-18.

- C. Ground 3: Claim 18 is obvious over *Okada* in view of *Odendaal*, *Berghegger*, *Black*, and *Kazutoshi* 
  - 1. Claim 18
    - a) The system of claim 1, further wherein the one or more communication and control circuits use a Proportional-Integral-Derivative control technique to regulate one or more outputs of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits.

*Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* in view of *Kazutoshi* discloses/suggests this limitation. (Ex. 1002, ¶240-249; §IX.A.1.) As discussed for limitation 1(l), the communication/control circuit(s) in the modified *Okada* system (§IX.A.1(e)) would have been configured to regulate in a "closed loop feedback manner" the one or more output voltages/currents of the receiver rectifier circuit(s). (§IX.A.1(l).) Thus, the combination discloses/suggests that "the one or more communication and control circuits...regulate[s] one or more outputs of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits." However, to the extent that the *Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black* combination does not expressly disclose that such a closed loop feedback process "**use[s] a Proportional-Integral-Derivative control technique**," a POSITA would have found it obvious to implement such features in view of *Kazutoshi*. (Ex. 1002, ¶242-243.)

*Kazutoshi* discloses "[a] contactless power supply system" with a power supply device 21 providing power to portable object (cart 3). (Ex. 1034, Abstract, FIG. 1, ¶0001, 0005-0014, 0024-0030.) Regarding Figure 3 (below), power supply

device 21 is described as providing power through inductive wires 19, where power is induced on a signal pickup coil 20A used to operate a load (motor 15) in the portable object. (Ex. 1034, FIG. 3, ¶0029.)



Power supply device 21 includes a controller 61, which comprises power detection circuit 62, current detection circuit 63, duty computing circuit 64, and pulse driving circuit 65. (*Id.*, ¶0038.) Duty computing circuit 64 receives signals (associated with the output of current converter 42 and current alternator 43, and output power of inductive wires 19) from power detection circuit 62 and current detection circuit 63.

(*Id.*) Duty computing circuit 64 "employs the output current of the current detection circuit 63 as a reference, evaluates the duty of the square wave driving the transistor 52 in the current alternator 43," and provides an output signal to pulse generating circuit 65 to drive transistor 52 and inductive 19 in order to power cart 3. (*Id.* ¶¶0038, 0043.) (Ex. 1002, ¶¶107-110, 244-245.)

*Kazutoshi* is in the same technical field as *Okada* (including as modified) and the '500 patent, and also discloses features that were reasonably pertinent to one or more particular problems the inventor for the '500 patent was trying to solve. (\$IX.A.1(a)-IX.A.1(c); Ex. 1001, Abstract, 4:13-29, 32:39-34:3; Ex. 1034, Abstract, ¶¶0029, 0036-0039; Ex. 1002, ¶246.) Therefore, a POSITA would have considered *Kazutoshi* in context of the modified *Okada* system, looking to design/implement an inductive charging system like that described by the modified *Okada* system. (*Id.*; \$IX.A.1.)

*Kazutoshi* additionally discloses duty computing circuit 64 "comprises a subtractor 71, a multiplier 72, an integrator 73, a differentiator 74, an adder 75, and a gain configurator 76," where "[t]he multiplier 72, the integrator 73, and the differentiator 74 make up a *proportional integral derivative (PID)* controller." (Ex. 1034, ¶0039.) In operation, the controller uses the difference between the output current (current detection circuit 63) and a reference value to determine an output signal to pulse generating circuit 65 for driving transistor 52 and inductive wires 19

to inductively power cart 3. (*Id.*; *id.*, ¶¶0040-0043.) The PID controller provides "an output voltage for load resistance R and an output current within the range of the reference current." (*Id.*, ¶0043; *id.*, ¶0044; Ex. 1002, ¶247.)

In light of such teachings/suggestions, a POSITA would have been motivated and found obvious to configure the communication/control circuit(s) in the modified Okada system (§§IX.A.1(e), IX.A.1(l)) to use a PID control technique to regulate one or more outputs of the one or more receiver rectifier circuits in system, similar to features described by Kazutoshi, for regulating the output of the receiver rectifier circuit. (§IX.A.1(1); Ex. 1002, ¶248.) A POSITA would have recognized use of PID control techniques/technologies in a controller of a powering/charging system and to regulate a rectified DC voltage was known, as demonstrated by Kazutoshi and known in the art. (Ex. 1002, ¶248; Ex. 1044, ¶¶0031, 0078; Ex. 1046, ¶0073 ("Persons of ordinary skill in the art will be aware that many different algorithms may be employed to enable the aforementioned tuning of the device. For example...the algorithm may implement PID (proportional, integral, differential) processing").)

A POSITA would have had the skill and rationale in implementing, and reasonable expectation of success in achieving, such modification, especially where it would have involved applying known technologies (PID control technologies) (*Kazutoshi*, state-of-art knowledge) with wireless power transfer/charging systems

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(*Okada-Odendaal-Berghegger-Black*) according to known techniques (e.g., regulating an output signal of a powering/charging system) to yield the predictable result of providing an inductive power/charging system with a regulated output signal at the receiver rectifier circuit, consistent with the features of the modified *Okada* system discussed above. (Ex. 1002, ¶249; §IX.A.1) *KSR* at 416-18.

## X. DISCRETIONARY DENIAL IS NOT APPROPRIATE

Discretionary denial under Section 325(d) is not appropriate here given the prior art combinations/arguments raised during prosecution are not the same or substantially similar to the grounds presented herein. For instance, the Office did not consider *Okada* in light of the other asserted prior art herein. (*Generally* Ex. 1004; Ex. 1001, Cover.) *Okada* discloses/suggests many of the claimed features, and thus is relevant to the patentability of the challenged claim(s), especially when considered in context of the asserted obviousness positions. (§IX.) The examiner also did not have the benefit of expert testimony to support such teachings/suggestions as presented here. (Ex. 1002.) Thus, the examiner erred in allowing the claims without considering the teachings/suggestions in the prior art relied on in this Petition (*see* §IX). (Ex. 1004, 186-193.) Had the examiner done so, the challenged claims would have likely not have issued.<sup>13</sup>

This is true despite the issued patent from *Calhoon* (Ex. 1041) and other patent references by "Calhoon" was cited during prosecution. (Ex. 1001, Cover (pp.2-3); Ex. 1004.) As with other submitted references, the examiner erred in a manner pertinent to the patentability of the challenged claims by failing to consider and apply

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Petitioner reserves the right to seek leave to respond to any §325(d) (and §314) arguments PO may raise to avoid institution.

the similar teachings by *Calhoon* alone or in combination with other prior art. Indeed, *Calhoon* at least discloses features recited in claim 4, and thus should have been considered in combination with other pertinent references (like *Okada*). (§IX.B.)

Furthermore, an evaluation of the factors under *Apple Inc. v. Fintiv, Inc.*, IPR2020-00019, Paper 11 (Mar. 20, 2020) (precedential), favors institution.

The **first factor** (stay) is neutral, because Samsung has not yet moved for a stay. *See Hulu LLC v. SITO Mobile R&D IP, LLC et al.*, IPR2021-00298, Paper 11 at 10-11 (P.T.A.B. May 19, 2021).

The **second factor** (proximity) is neutral. "The PTAB will weigh this factor against exercising discretion to deny institution under *Fintiv* if the median time-totrial is around the same time or after the projected statutory deadline for the PTAB's final written decision" (FWD). (Ex. 1064, 9.) The median time from filing to trial in the Eastern District of Texas is 19 months, meaning trial will be *no earlier* than May 2024 (Ex. 1065, 35), is close to the court's scheduled jury selection for August 5, 2024 (Ex. 1066, 1.) With this petition filed in June 2023, a FWD may be expected by December 2024, not long after the trial date.

That the FWD may come after the trial date is not dispositive. The Board has granted institution in cases where the FWD issued months after the scheduled trial date. The Board has relied on various justifications, such as diligence in filing the petition, a stipulation not to pursue the asserted grounds in litigation, minimal investment in litigation, and the merits of the invalidity challenge were strong. *Verizon Business Network Services, Inc. v. Huawei Techs. Co.*, IPR2020-01141, Paper 12 (Jan. 14, 2021). The same factors are present in this case. For instance, Petitioner diligently filed this petition (challenging long, convoluted claims) in advance of the one-year bar date and within four months of PO's infringement contentions in the Texas Litigation. (Exs. 1018, 1022.) Fact discovery is not anticipated to close until March 18, 2024. (Ex. 1066, 3.) Expert discovery has not yet started. (*Id.*) And the *Markman* hearing has been scheduled for February 6, 2024, after the filing of this petition. (*Id.*)

The **third factor** (investment) also weighs against denial. The district court case is in the early stages. Fact discovery is in its infancy and the parties have not engaged in expert discovery. (Ex. 1066, 3.) The parties have not yet identified terms for construction. (*Id.*, 4-6.) Nor have there been any substantive orders in this case.

The **fourth factor** (overlap) also weighs against denial. Petitioner hereby stipulates that, if the IPR is instituted, Petitioner will not pursue the IPR grounds in the district court litigation. Thus, "[i]nstituting trial here serves overall system efficiency and integrity goals by not duplicating efforts and by resolving materially different patentability issues." *Apple, Inc. v. SEVEN Networks, LLC*, IPR2020-00156, Paper 10 at 19 (P.T.A.B. June 15, 2020); *see also Sand Revolution II, LLC v.* 

Continental Intermodal Group-Trucking LLC, IPR2019-01393, Paper 24 at 12 (P.T.A.B. June 16, 2020).

While the **fifth factor** (parties) may weigh slightly in favor of denial, because the Petitioner and PO are the same parties as in district court, based on a "holistic view," the factors favor institution. *Samsung Elecs. Co. Ltd. v. Dynamics Inc.*, IPR2020-00505, Paper 11 at 15 (P.T.A.B. Aug. 12, 2020).

Further, the Board should not discretionarily deny institution, because this petition presents compelling merits. See Commscope Tech. LLC v. Dali Wireless, *Inc.*, IPR2022-01242, Paper 23 at 4-5 (P.T.A.B. Feb. 27, 2023) (precedential). As demonstrated above, the claimed features compilation are а of technologies/techniques known to be used in inductive power/charge systems. (§IX) Moreover, this Petition is the *sole* challenge to the challenged claims before the Board—a "crucial fact" favoring institution. Google LLC v. Uniloc 2017 LLC, IPR2020-00115, Paper 10 at 6 (May 12, 2020).

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## XI. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, Petitioner requests institution of IPR for the challenged claims based on the specified grounds.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.24(d), the undersigned certifies that the foregoing Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 11,201,500 contains, as measured by the word-processing system used to prepare this paper, 13,936 words. This word count does not include the items excluded by 37 C.F.R. § 42.24 as not counting towards the word limit.

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I hereby certify that on June 28, 2023, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 11,201,500 and supporting exhibits to be served via express mail on the Patent Owner at the following correspondence address of record as listed on PAIR:

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