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General Comment

I oppose the U.S. Patent and Trademark Offices proposed regulations changing the nature of PTAB trials., Docket No. PTO-C-2020-0055.

It is imperative that innovation not be stifled through the manipulations of patents that probably should not have been awarded in the first place. Having a robust challenge and review process is central to the development of technology. Restricting or limiting the challenge process is detrimental to innovation.

The rights of patent holders are not more important than the rights of innovators or the rights of the public.

These proposed regulations will destroy the U.S. system for post-grant patent challenges. Wrongly granted patents are a major burden on the economy and drain on innovation.