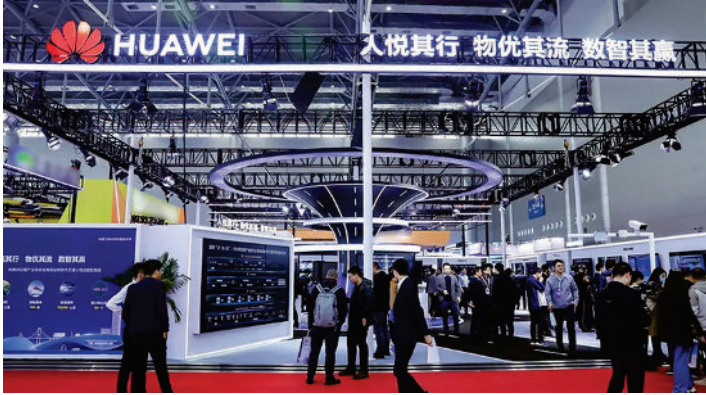


Huawei Sues IPO Rivals Founded by Ex-Employees Over Inverter Patents

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Huawei has again sued a competitor during its IPO.

According to Chinese media outlets Jiemian News and [21st CBH](#), Huawei has filed a patent administrative lawsuit with a local intellectual property administration against **Sigenergy Technology Co., Ltd.**, which is preparing for an IPO in Hong Kong, alleging infringement of two patents related to inverters.

The reports did not provide specific patent numbers, only the titles of the two patents. Following a search, PRIP has identified the two patents:

1. [ZL201210065271.6](#), *Bus voltage regulating method and device for inverter*, Huawei previously asserted this patent in its 2018 litigation against SolarEdge. SolarEdge challenged the validity of the patent, but the CNIPA maintained its validity in a 2020 final decision.
2. [ZL201610195090.3](#), *Global peak power output determines method and apparatus*, this patent has no litigation history but won the 2022 Shenzhen Patent Award.

According to Sigenergy's prospectus, founder Xu Yingtong worked at Huawei for 23 years and held several senior positions, including president of Huawei's smart PV business. Many other senior managers at Sigenergy are also former Huawei employees.

Sigenergy was founded in May 2022, focusing on stackable distributed PV and energy storage integrated solutions. In 2024, it ranked first globally with a 28.6% market share in the stackable distributed PV-storage inverter segment.

Sigenergy operates in more than 80 countries, with overseas revenue accounting for over 90%. Its revenue surged from 58 million yuan (\$8.1 million) in 2023 to 9 billion yuan (\$1.25 billion) in 2025.

Last year, Huawei sought to sell its digital energy business, with CATL as a potential buyer. However, the deal fell through due to price disagreements.

Seven years ago, Huawei launched its first IPO-targeted lawsuit against Transsion.

Huawei accused Transsion of infringing its copyright in a mobile theme wallpaper and claimed 20 million yuan in damages.

After Transsion disclosed the lawsuit in an announcement the day after its listing, its stock price dropped more than 13%, erasing over 6 billion yuan (\$830 million) in market value in one day.

The two sides finally reached a settlement in June 2020.