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In re Application of: PEDERSEN, Brad J.
Serial No.: **12/568,410**
Filed: September 28, 2009
Atty Docket: 2006579-1150 (CTX-374)
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR ACCELERATING DELIVERY OF A COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT TO A REMOTE USER

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on September 28, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition: The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims is patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC §112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC §112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions I.1 to I.4, II. 1-5, II. 5.1-5.3, II. 6.1-6.4, and II. 6.6 above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions II.6.5 above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(5) and item II 6.5 above, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification

A. In view of the (391) pages of written disclosure of instant application, Petitioner's showing (mapping) of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification is found deficient. The mapping set forth in the AESD would materially effect examination of the application.

The AESD, for example, identifies the support for the claimed features by referring (for example) with regards to claim 7 to **"Fig. 40A and accompanying description"** without an indication as to *where is* the accompanying description in the 391 pages of specification, it will be time consuming search through 391 pages of specification to identify on what page of the spec is the Figure 40A discussed and thus contra productive to the goal of accelerating prosecution.

Figure 40A appears to be described on pages 287-303, however, the claimed subject matter of claim 7 appears to be discussed more specifically on page 294, lines 1-16. Applicant is in far better position to meet the requirement above mentioned when showing where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification.

B. Support in Non-provisional Application No. 11/734,083 filed April 11, 2007. The AESD states:

> Pursuant to the requirements set forth in paragraph 1 of 35 U.S.C. § 112, support for the presently pending claims can be found in **at least** the following sections of US provisional application no. 60/949,676.

However, the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(5) and item II 6.5 above, states that if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in **each** such application in which such supports exists.

Thus, AESD is required to show support in the non-provisional application no. 11/734,083 ***and*** provisional application 60/949,676. As filed the AESD only shows support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph for the provisional application 60/949,676, as such the petition fails to comply with conditions II.6.5 above.

Given that instant application is claiming priority to the non-provisional application no. 11/734,083, the AESD must include a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification of 11/734,083.

For the above mentioned reasons, the showing of specification support is deemed to be insufficient for this part of the AESD.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 23, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on September 28, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 26, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.5 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/223**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

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If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):

Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference. Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition. If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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Application No. 12/568,438	:	TO WITHDRAW
Filed: September 28, 2009	:	FROM RECORD
Attorney Docket No. HGS-1001	:	

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed November 7, 2009.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Office strongly encourages practitioner(s) requesting withdrawal from representation as practitioner of record in an application to review the record to determine whether he or she is, in fact, of record and how he or she was made of record. For example, the practitioner(s) should determine whether he or she was appointed by naming each practitioner individually or through the use of a Customer Number. If the practitioner(s) was appointed by a specific designation, then the Request should ask that each specified practitioner be withdrawn and should list each practitioner(s) in the Request.

In the instant application, the practitioners were appointed via Customer Number. Therefore, requesting to withdraw without providing the appropriate Customer Number cannot be approved.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to above-listed address until otherwise properly notified.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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Application No. 12/568,438	:	TO WITHDRAW
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed January 21, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. The Office will require the practitioner(s) to certify that he, she or they have: (1) given reasonable notice to the client, prior to the expiration of the reply period, which the practitioner(s) intends to withdraw from employment; (2) delivered to the client or a duly authorized representative of the client all papers and property (including funds) to which the client is entitled; and (3) notified the client of any replies that may be due and the time frame within which the client must respond, pursuant to 37 CFR 10.40 (c).

The request was signed by Shelley M. Cobos on behalf of all attorneys/agents of record who are associated with Customer Number 77693.

All attorneys/agents associated with Customer Number 77693 have been withdrawn. Applicant(s) is/are reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

All future correspondence will be directed to the first-named inventor, Howard G. Smith, at the address indicated below.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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Attorney Docket No. UTAR:1029	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 28, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a copy of the first named applicant's passport proving that he is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1794 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102 filed January 25, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the Patent Application Backlog Reduction Stimulus Plan which is a pilot program set forth at 74 Federal Register Notice 62285 (November 27, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 62285 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed prior to October 1, 2009.

The USPTO will accord special status for examination under Patent Application Backlog Reduction Stimulus Plan under the following conditions:

(1) The application for which special status is sought is a nonprovisional application that has an actual filing date earlier than October 1, 2009, in which the applicant has established small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27;

(2) The applicant has another copending nonprovisional application that has an actual filing date earlier than October 1, 2009, and is complete under 37 CFR 1.53;

(3) The application for which special status is sought and the other copending nonprovisional application either are owned by the same party as of October 1, 2009, or name at least one inventor in common;

(4) The applicant files a letter of express abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138(a) in the copending nonprovisional application before it has been taken up for examination and

a) includes with the letter of express abandonment a statement that the applicant has not and will not file an application that claims the benefit of the

expressly abandoned application under any provision of title 35, United States Code, and

b) the applicant agrees not to request a refund of any fees paid in the expressly abandoned application; and

(5) The applicant files a petition under 37 CFR 1.102 in the application for which special status is sought.

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Patent Application Backlog Reduction Stimulus Plan has been waived.

The instant petition complies with the conditions required under Patent Application Backlog Reduction Stimulus Plan. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Kenya A. McLaughlin, Petitions Attorney, at 571-272-3222.

All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing commensurate with this decision.

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Supervisory Petitions Examiner
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Serial No.: 12/568,630
Filed: September 28, 2009
Title: LIGHT EMITTING DEVICE

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) filed September 28, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

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   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

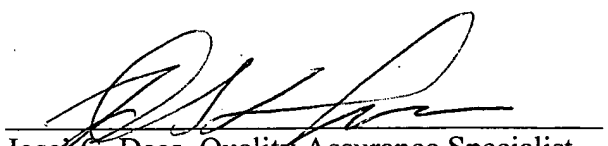
   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Quality Assurance Specialist Jose' G. Dees at (571) 272-1569.



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Heller et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,821	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON22	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Heller et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,832	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON23	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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In re Application of	:	
Heller et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,842	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON24	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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In re Application of :
HELLER, Adam et al. :
Application No. 12/568,845 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. **ADCI-015CON21** : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement attesting that Adam Heller is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-4231.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Heller et al. :
Application No. 12/568,849 : ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON20 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Heller et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,853	:	ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON19	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/568,856	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON18	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON17	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Heller et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,861	:	ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-015CON16	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Feldman et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,864	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON9	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Benjamin J. Feldman et al. :
Application No. 12/568,886 : DECISION ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON10 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Ramesh Krishnamurthy

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Benjamin J. Feldman et al. :
Application No. 12/568,887 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON11 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Feldman et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,892	:	ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON12	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/568,928	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON13	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of	:	
Feldman et al.	:	
Application No. 12/568,930	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON14	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Benjamin J. Feldman et al :
Application No. 12/568,936 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON15 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he has evidence that inventor Adam Heller is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,019	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON16	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/569,020 : ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON17 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,033	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON18	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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In re Application of	:	
Anthony, LARRY et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No.12/569069	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: September 9, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. CL4213USNA	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed February 25th, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition

must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1–9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1650 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,075	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON19	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth.in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,141	:	ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON21	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition.

Joan Olszewski
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Feldman et al.	:	
Application No. 12/569,159	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON22	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON23	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 30, 2009 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by applicant. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Ella Colbert at 571-272-6051, or in her absence, the undersigned at 571-272-7099.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2885 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

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Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3714 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,311 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON26 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Benjamin J. Feldman et al. :
Application No. 12/569,350 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON28 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,351	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON29	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Benjamin J. Feldman et al. :
Application No. 12/569,367 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. **ADCI-048CON30** : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON31	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence that proves the applicant, Adam Heller, is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON32	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence that proves the applicant, Adam Heller, is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON33	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence that proves the applicant, Adam Heller, is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,427	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON34	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON35	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence that proves the applicant, Adam Heller, is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,445	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON36	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition.

Joan Olszewski
Petitions Examiner
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Benjamin J. FELDMAN et al :
Application No. 12/569,447 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON37 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a certification by a registered attorney/agent having evidence such as a birth certificate, passport, driver's license, etc. showing one named inventor in the application is 65 years of age, or more. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Olisa Anwah at 571-272-6051 or in his absence to the undersigned at (571) 272-7099.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

David A. Bucci
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Application No. 12/569,467	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON38	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Ramesh Krishnamurthy
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Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON39	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition.

Joan Olszewski
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Application No. 12/569,487 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON40 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,488	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON41	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: 29 September 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 026335-004710US	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 02 July 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (21 May 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a

request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2812 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Lee W. Young
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In re Application of :
Benjamin J. Feldman et al. :
Application No. 12/569,506 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON28 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Ramesh Krishnamurthy
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Application No. 12/569,508	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON43	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition.

Joan Olszewski
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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/569,510	09/29/2009	KEVIN MICHAEL COAKLEY	307-88014US	8408

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ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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In re Application of :
Coakley : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/569,510 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 9/29/2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **307-88014US** : PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/11/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Tom Dunn/

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Feldman et al.	:	
Application No. 12/569,520	:	ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. ADCI-048CON44	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed September 29, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by the applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3729 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/569,568	09/29/2009	Meng Gao	237690 (22402-185)	8510

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Application No. 12/569,568	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 29 September 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237690 (22402-185)	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 14 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2839 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/569,720	09/29/2009	Ulrich Niewöhner	LeA32733C6[67855CON6]	8789

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Serial No.: 12/569,720

Filed: 29 September 2009
Docket: LeA32733C6[67855CON6]
Title: **2-PHENYL SUBSTITUTED IMIDAZOTRIAZINONES AS PHOSPHODIESTERASE INHIBITORS**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 1, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael P. Woodward, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-8373.

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TAE-GON BAIK ET AL. :
Application No. 12/569,760 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 29, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. **027230-001010US** : FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 CFR § 1.36(b), filed June 3, 2010.

The request is **NOT APPROVED** as moot.

A review of the file record indicates that the power of attorney to attorneys/agents associated with Customer Number 89860 has been revoked by the applicants of the patent application on June 8, 2010. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 CFR § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-4584.

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Application No. 12/569818	:	ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. 68683-8001.US01	:	

This is in response to the "RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION" filed on October 27, 2009, requesting a petition under 37 CFR 1.57(a). Applicants request that the above-referenced application be accorded a filing date of September 29, 2009. This petition is being treated pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(e)(2)[1].

Application papers in the above-identified application were deposited on September 29, 2009. However, on October 19, 2009, the Office of Patent Application Processing mailed applicants a "Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application," notifying applicants that the application papers had not been accorded a filing date because the application was deposited without drawings. In response, applicants timely filed this petition. Applicants request that the application be amended to include the inadvertently omitted drawings on the basis that the application as filed contained a prior benefit claim under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78.

Petitioner's arguments and evidence have been considered. However, a review of the application confirms that, as filed, the application contained at least one method claim. MPEP 601.01(f) provides that:

> It has been USPTO practice to treat an application that contains at least one process or method claim as an application for which a drawing is not necessary for an understanding of the invention under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).

Thus, pursuant to § 601.01(f), a drawing is not considered essential for a filing date. The instant application is entitled to a filing date without drawings present in the application.

[1] Any request for review of a notification pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section, or a notification that the original application papers lack a portion of the specification or drawing(s), must be by way of a petition pursuant to this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(f). In the absence of a timely (§ 1.181(f)) petition pursuant to this paragraph, the filing date of an application in which the applicant was notified of a filing error pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section will be the date the filing error is corrected.

Accordingly, the Office should have granted the application a filing date and mailed a Notice of Omitted Items instead of a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application. As stated in MPEP 601.01(g) under the section entitled, "Application Entitled to a Filing Date," applicant may submit an amendment to include the inadvertently omitted portion of the drawing(s) pursuant to 37 CFR 1.57(a):

> [i]f an application was filed on or after September 21, 2004, and contains a claim under 37 CFR 1.55 for priority of a prior-filed foreign application, or a claim under 37 CFR 1.78 for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional, nonprovisional, or international application that was present on the filing date of the application, and the omitted portion of the drawing(s) was inadvertently omitted from the application and is completely contained in the prior-filed application[.]

Please note that no petition is required and that the amendment must comply with 37 CFR 1.57(a) and 37 CFR 1.121. See MPEP § 201.17. Any amendment to include the inadvertently omitted drawing(s) will be considered by the examiner.

To the extent the instant petition requests a filing date of September 29, 2009, with no drawings present in the application, the petition is **GRANTED**.

Given the basis for granting this petition, the petition fee is being refunded.

Pursuant to this decision, the application will be referred to Office of Patent Application Processing for:

- **correction of the filing date to September 29, 2009**;
- **for indication in Office records, as appropriate, that "0" sheets of drawings were present on filing** and
- **for issuance of a filing receipt.**

Entry of the amendment filed on October 27, 2009 will be determined by the examiner.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Senior Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at (571) 272-3231.

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Attorney Docket No. **616902000300**	:	FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed March 19, 2010.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Office will no longer accept address changes to a new practitioner or law firm filed with a Request, absent the filing of a power of attorney to the new representative. The Office will either change the correspondence address of record to the most current address information provided for the assignee of the entire interest who properly became of record under 37 CFR 3.71 or, if no assignee of the entire interest has properly been made of record under 37 CFR 3.71, the most current address information provided for the first named inventor.

37 CFR 3.71(c) states:

An assignee becomes of record either in a national patent application or a reexamination proceeding by filing a statement in compliance with § 3.73(b) that is signed by a party who is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Accordingly, the request to withdraw from record cannot be approved because the request does not include an acceptable current correspondence address for future communications from the Office.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-4231.

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GELLETT, Wayne et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/569850	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 1st, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1656 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/569,944	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
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Attorney Docket No. 234322	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks items 1 and 5.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 384/477.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lanna Mai at 571-272-6867.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3656 for action in its regular turn.

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This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(2), filed June 17, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lanna Mai at 571-272-6867.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3656 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 236072 (22402-184)	:	PILOT PROGRAM
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MONITORING WIND TURBINE OPERATION		

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item(s) #1 and #5.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard. The statement provided fails to explain how the present invention materially contributes to the development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

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Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MONITORING WIND TURBINE OPERATION

: DECISION ON PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
: PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed March 17, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DENIED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item #1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified currently in an area (USPC 416/001.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a) (VII) (C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines.

In the Request for Reconsideration, the applicant indicates that the claim subject matter is classifiable in one of the designated green technology areas, namely, USPC 290/44, 55; 307/64-66, 82-87; 415/2.1. However, the claimed subject matter is directed to a video monitoring system, manipulation of video data and data collection for a wind turbine system. Based on the US classification manual and guidelines, the most comprehensive claim subject matter is currently classifiable in Class 416 or Class 709 area. They do not belong in designated areas as green technologies. This application is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Federal Register Notice (74fr64666). Under the circumstances, the request to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies cannot be granted. This application will await action in its regular turn.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn. Since this is a decision for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 18, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a

request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of	:	
Santiago et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/570,490	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 30 September 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237816 (22402-174)	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 14 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2839 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
KOOIJMAN, HENDRIKUS J.T. et al :
Application No. 12/570,547 :
Filed: Sep. 30, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 236473 (22402-166) :
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING ACOUSTIC EMISSIONS \ OF A WIND TURBINE

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 17, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under, 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item(s) #1 and #5.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard. The statement provided fails to explain how the present invention materially contributes to the development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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KOOIJMAN, HENDRIKUS J.T. et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. **12/570547**	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: September 30, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **236473 (22402-166)**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 6/10/10, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
Takahiro KUMAKAWA
Application No.: 12/570,548
Filed: 30 September 2009
Attorney Docket No.: 28951.5565C1
For: SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE, AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

: DECISION ON REQUEST TO
: PARTICIPATE IN THE PATENT
: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
: PROGRAM AND PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 30 September 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **DISMISSED**.

Discussion

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

1. The U.S. application is

    a. a Paris Convention application which either
        i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims,

    or

    b. a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or

iii. contains no priority claim,

or

c. a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application
   i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
   ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
   iii. contains no priority claim;

2. Applicant must submit a copy of:
   a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s);
   b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s) and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
3. Applicant must:
   a. Ensure all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s) and
   b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;
4. Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
5. Applicant must submit:
   a. Documentation of prior office action:
      i. a copy of the office action(s) just prior to the "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) or
      ii. if the allowable/patentable claims(s) are from a "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" then the Notification of Reasons for Refusal or
      iii. if the JPO application is a first action allowance then no office action from the JPO is necessary should be indicated on the request/petition form;
   b. An English language translation of the JPO Office action from (5)(a)(i)-(ii) above
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
6. Applicant must submit:
   a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action (unless already submitted in this application)
   b. Copies of the documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already submitted in this application);
7. The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

Conditions (1), (2), (4), (5), and (7) above are considered to have been met. However, the request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition fails meet condition (3) and (6).

Regarding the requirement of condition (3), claims 16, 21, and 26 of the instant application do not substantially correspond to claims 1, 6, and 11 of JP 2006-133160. Specifically, the first 5 lines of claims 16 and 26 of the instant application have been significantly modified compared to claims 1 and 11 of JP 2006-133160 and claim 21 of the instant application is missing a limitation found in claim 6 of JP 2006-133160.

Regarding the requirement of condition (6), the IDS filed 30 September 2009 failed to cite Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-365516 (Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 2006-173428) and Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 2005-268752. Further, Petitioner failed to submit a copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-363517 (a copy of 2006-173428 was submitted). It is noted the Petitioner submitted U.S. Patent 7,468,310 as an English language equivalent to 2006-173428. However, 2006-173428 is not an equivalent at least to the extent of the publication date.

A proper response must include:

(a) an amendment to claims 16, 21, and 26 of the instant application to ensure that they substantially correspond to claims 1, 6, and 11 of JP 2006-133160 or cancellation of the claims.

(b) an IDS containing Japanese Patent Application No. 2006-173428 and Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 2005-268752.

(c) a copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-268752 and Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-363517.

Applicant is given **ONE** opportunity within a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Response must be filed via the Electronic Filing System (EFS) with the Document Code PPH.REQUEST. Any preliminary amendments and IDS submitted with the PPH documents must be separately indexed as a preliminary amendment and IDS, respectively.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc/index.html.

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Filed: 30 September 2009
Attorney Docket No.: 28951.5565C1
For: SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE, AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

: DECISION ON REQUEST TO
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: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
: PROGRAM AND PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 30 September 2009 and renewed on 22 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

Discussion

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7. The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc.index.html.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 239045 (22402-190)	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 15 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2839 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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WIEBROCK, DIETER HERMANN BENNO et al	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/570,864	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: Sep. 30, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237266 (22402-171)	:	PILOT PROGRAM
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR ASSEMBLING A PITCH ASSEMBLY FOR USE IN A WIND TURBINE		

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) #1. In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/147) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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WIEBROCK, DIETER HERMANN BENNO et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/570864	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: Sept. 30, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237266 (22402-171)	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 18, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a

request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/570,914
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Attorney Docket No. 13682.117588

DECISION ON PETITION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed January 19, 2010.

The petition is dismissed.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116; (3) the petition fee; and (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor. Applicant lacks item (1) set forth above.

As to item (1), petitioner has not demonstrated that all efforts were expended in trying to locate non-signing inventor Scott Kroeger. In this regard, petitioner should, at the very least, conduct a search of the regional or national registry(s). The results of such search should be made in any future petition for reconsideration. *See* MPEP 409.03(d). Additionally, petitioner should state whether he has access to inventor Kroeger's personnel records and, if so, what does inspection of the records reveal as to a current address, forwarding address, or an address of the nearest living relative? What does inspection of the phone directories for those address locations reveal? This sort of ultimatum lends support to a finding of refusal by conduct. If the papers are returned and all other attempts to locate or reach the inventor, e.g., through personnel records, co-workers, E-mail, the Internet or the telephone, etc., continue to fail, then applicant will have established that the inventor cannot be reached after diligent effort or has refused to join in the application. The statements of facts must be signed, where at all possible, by a person having firsthand knowledge of the facts recited therein and should be accompanied by documentary evidence in support of the statement of facts. It is important that the forthcoming communication contain statements of fact as opposed to conclusions.

Where there is an express or oral refusal, that fact, along with the time and place of the refusal, must be stated in an affidavit or declaration by the party to whom the refusal was made. Where there is a written refusal, a copy of the document(s) evidencing that refusal must be made part of the affidavit or declaration.

When it is concluded by the rule 47 applicant that an omitted inventor's conduct constitutes a refusal, all facts upon which that conclusion is based should be stated in an affidavit or declaration. If there is documentary evidence to support facts alleged in the affidavit or declaration, such evidence must be submitted. Whenever an omitted inventor gives a reason for refusing to sign the application oath or declaration, that reason should be stated in the affidavit or declaration.

Rule 47 applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. FAILURE TO RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT OF THE APPLICATION. Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Correspondence regarding this decision may also be filed through the electronic filing system of the USPTO.

To expedite consideration, petitioner may wish to contact the undersigned regarding the filing of the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b).

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3226.

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR CONTROLLING A WIND TURBINE		

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) #1. In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

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Filed: September 30, 2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 239046 (22402-182) : PILOT PROGRAM
Title: SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR CONTROLLING A WIND TURBINE

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration filed February 23, 2010 of the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item number 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Applicant argues that claim 20 should be classified in 290/44, and that a restriction may be necessary in order for the application to achieve the desired green classification. This is not persuasive because the controlling claims are still present in the case, and Class 416 remains the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Timothy S. Thorpe at 571-272-5377. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 21, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is in response to the "PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.57(a)" filed on October 27, 2009, requesting that the above-referenced application be accorded a filing date of September 30, 2009. This petition is being treated pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(e)(2)[1].

Application papers in the above-identified application were deposited on September 30, 2009. However, on October 16, 2009, the Office of Patent Application Processing mailed applicants a "Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application," notifying applicants that the application papers had not been accorded a filing date because the application was deposited without drawings. In response, applicants timely filed this petition. Applicants request that the application be amended to include the inadvertently omitted drawings on the basis that the application as filed contained a prior benefit claim under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78.

Petitioner's arguments and evidence have been considered. However, a review of the application confirms that, as filed, the application contained at least one method claim. MPEP 601.01(f) provides that:

> It has been USPTO practice to treat an application that contains at least one process or method claim as an application for which a drawing is not necessary for an understanding of the invention under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence). The same practice has been followed in composition applications.

Thus, pursuant to § 601.01(f), a drawing is not considered essential for a filing date. The instant application is entitled to a filing date without drawings present in the application.

[1] Any request for review of a notification pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section, or a notification that the original application papers lack a portion of the specification or drawing(s), must be by way of a petition pursuant to this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(f). In the absence of a timely (§ 1.181(f)) petition pursuant to this paragraph, the filing date of an application in which the applicant was notified of a filing error pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section will be the date the filing error is corrected.

Accordingly, the Office should have granted the application a filing date and mailed a Notice of Omitted Items instead of a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application. As stated in MPEP 601.01(g) under the section entitled, "Application Entitled to a Filing Date," applicant may submit an amendment to include the inadvertently omitted portion of the drawing(s) pursuant to 37 CFR 1.57(a):

> [i]f an application was filed on or after September 21, 2004, and contains a claim under 37 CFR 1.55 for priority of a prior-filed foreign application, or a claim under 37 CFR 1.78 for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional, nonprovisional, or international application that was present on the filing date of the application, and the omitted portion of the drawing(s) was inadvertently omitted from the application and is completely contained in the prior-filed application[.]

Please note that no petition is required and that the amendment must comply with 37 CFR 1.57(a) and 37 CFR 1.121. See MPEP § 201.17. Petitioners may wish to consider filing a preliminary amendment to enter the inadvertently omitted drawings. If a preliminary amendment is filed, it will be reviewed for new matter by the examiner.

To the extent the instant petition requests a filing date of September 30, 2009 with no drawings present in the application, the petition is **GRANTED**.

Given the basis for granting this petition, the petition fee is being refunded.

Pursuant to this decision, the application will be referred to Office of Patent Application Processing for:

- **correction of the filing date to September 30, 2009;**
- **for indication in Office records, as appropriate, that "0" sheets of drawings were present on filing** and
- **for issuance of a filing receipt.**

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Senior Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at (571) 272-3231.

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In re Application of	:	
Menth et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/571,180	:	TO WITHDRAW
Filed: September 30, 2009	:	FROM RECORD
Attorney Docket No. 2004P14965 C	:	

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 31, 2010.

The request is **NOT APPROVED** because it is moot.

A review of the file record indicates that on June 15, 2010 the power of attorney to Dickinson Wright, PLLC was revoked by the assignee of the patent application. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272- 7751. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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In re Application of
Robert D. Kodis

Application No. 12571305

Filed:

Attorney Docket No. INK-001.04

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:DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
:UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the electronic petition under 37 CFR 1.102 (c)(1), filed 30-SEP-2009 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must include a statement by applicant or a registered practitioner having evidence that applicant is at least 65 years of age. No fee is required.

Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status and will be taken up for action by the examiner upon the completion of all pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this electronic decision should be directed to the Electronic Business Center at 866-217-9197.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/571,348	09/30/2009	Ray J. Hoobler	PA4998US	1804

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In re Application of	:	
HOOBLER, Ray et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No.12/571348	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: September 30, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. PA4998US	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed April 8th, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1–9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1616 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Manjunath Rao/

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In re Application of	:	
Brent R. CONSTANTZ	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/571,398	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: September 20, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. CLRA-018	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 16, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining

how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 052/596.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Petitioner suggests that the instant application be classified in 423/220, 110/344 or 345, or 588/257. However, the application has been assigned to the USPC area of 052/596.000 which is the most appropriate classification and the best examinable area for the claimed invention based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Applicants arguments regarding the suggested classification have been considered but are not deemed to be persuasive. While applications may be classified in multiple related classes/subclasses, the current classification is determined by the following factors:

1) Hierarchy of categories of subject matter (e.g. method of using claims determine classification over article claims).

2) Superiority of types of subject matter (e.g. chemical subject matter controls over electrical subject matter).

3) Class superiority. All classes in the US Classification system are assigned a relative superiority. This listing of all classes arranged by their relative superiority can be found on the USPTO website on the Classification Home Page under the link entitled "Classes Within the US Classification System Arranged by Related Subjects."

Based on the criteria above, the current classification is deemed to be appropriate.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lanna Mai at 571-272-6867.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3635 for action in its regular turn.

/Lanna Mai/

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/571,398	09/30/2009	Brent R. CONSTANTZ	CLRA-018	1879

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Constantz et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/571,398	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 9/30/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **CLRA-018**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 4/5/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition

must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1797 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Tom Dunn/

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Brent Constantz et al.	:	
Application No. 12/571,400	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 30, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. CLRA-035	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed December 18, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by the inventor James R. O'Neil attesting to his age. The above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at 571-272-4618.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1700 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Kimberly Inabinet/

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BASED ON AGE FOR ADVANCEMENT OF EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

Application Information

Application Number	12/571,538	Confirmation Number	2155	Filing Date	2009-10-01
Attorney Docket Number (optional)	UTSD:2124-2	Art Unit		Examiner	
First Named Inventor	Patrick G. Harran				
Title of Invention	Small Molecule Inhibitors of Ghrelin O-Acyltransferase				

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An application may be made special for advancement of examination upon filing of a petition showing that the applicant is 65 years of age, or more. No fee is required with such a petition. See 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP 708.02 (IV).

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR ADVANCEMENT OF EXAMINATION IN THIS APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP 708.02 (IV) ON THE BASIS OF THE APPLICANT'S AGE.

A grantable petition requires one of the following items:
(1) Statement by one named inventor in the application that he/she is 65 years of age, or more; or
(2) Certification by a registered attorney/agent having evidence such as a birth certificate, passport, driver's license, etc. showing one named inventor in the application is 65 years of age, or more.

Name of Inventor who is 65 years of age, or older

Given Name	Middle Name	Family Name	Suffix
Michael	S.	Brown	

A signature of the applicant or representative is required in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33 and 10.18.
Please see 37 CFR 1.4(d) for the format of the signature.

Select (1) or (2) :

○ (1) I am an inventor in this application and I am 65 years of age, or more.

◉ (2) I am an attorney or agent registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office, and I certify that I am in possession of evidence, and will retain such in the application file record, showing that the inventor listed above is 65 years of age, or more.

Signature	/richard aron osman/	Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2009-10-01
Name	Richard Aron Osman	Registration Number	36627

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7. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the Administrator, General Services, or his/her designee, during an inspection of records conducted by GSA as part of that agency's responsibility to recommend improvements in records management practices and programs, under authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906. Such disclosure shall be made in accordance with the GSA regulations governing inspection of records for this purpose, and any other relevant (i.e., GSA or Commerce) directive. Such disclosure shall not be used to make determinations about indivi duals.

8. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the public after either publication of the application pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b) or issuance of a patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 151. Further, a record may be disclosed, subject to the limitations of 37 CFR 1.14, as a routine use, to the public if the record was filed in an application which became abandoned or in which the proceedings were terminated and which application is referenced by either a published application, an application open to public inspections or an issued patent.

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Patrick G. Harran

Application No. 12571538

Filed:

Attorney Docket No. UTSD:2124-2

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:DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
:UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the electronic petition under 37 CFR 1.102 (c)(1), filed 01-OCT-2009 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must include a statement by applicant or a registered practitioner having evidence that applicant is at least 65 years of age. No fee is required.

Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status and will be taken up for action by the examiner upon the completion of all pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this electronic decision should be directed to the Electronic Business Center at 866-217-9197.

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Filed: October 1, 2009
Attorney Docket No. PROT0026

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed May 1, 2010, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the sole inventor that he is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

This application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 2881 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3226. All other inquiries concerning the processing of the application should be addressed to the Office of Patent Application Processing at (571) 272-4000.

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In re Application of

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Application No. 12/571,681
Filed: October 1, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **31203159.00001A**

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 7, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by the inventor. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Application Processing for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

JoAnne Burke
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In re Application of :

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by applicant. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Ella Colbert at 571-272-6741, or in her absence, the undersigned at 571-272-7099.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 3751 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/571,926	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 01 October 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. DP-318824	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 15 January 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item 1 above.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 374/E07.028) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2855 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of:
ARGUIN, PAUL R. et al.
Serial No.: 12/571,950
Filed: October 01, 2009

Title: **UNIVERSAL TRACKING ASSEMBLY**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 6.3, and 6.5.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirements of item 6.3, above, the Accelerated Examination Support Document is deficient because the section titled "Detailed Explanation of Patentability" fails to provide a "detailed explanation of how ***each of the claims*** are patentable over each of the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c)" (emphasis added). Applicant provided only broad discussion of the patentability of the invention without reference to any claims. Applicant failed to provide the detailed explanation of how **each of the claims** is patentable over the references cited.

Regarding the requirement in item 6.5 above, the "Accelerated Examination Support Document", is deficient because section 9(F) fails to include a showing of where ***each limitation of each of the claims*** finds support under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 in the written description of the instant specification and the five benefit applications. Petitioner provides a broad statement that support is shown for the pending claims and identifies paragraphs of the specification without providing any indication of a showing where each specific claim limitation finds support in the written description of the specification for each of the claims. Clarification is required.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3068.

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ARGUIN, PAUL R. et al.
Serial No.: 12/571,950
Filed: October 01, 2009

Title: **UNIVERSAL TRACKING ASSEMBLY**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a revised decision on the petition filed on October 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). It was brought to the office's attention that a mailing date was never set forth in the original petition decision thus leading to confusion as to when a response to the decision is due. Therefore, this revised decision with a properly marked mail date has been mailed replacing the prior decision.

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 6.3, and 6.5.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirements of item 6.3, above, the Accelerated Examination Support Document is deficient because the section titled "Detailed Explanation of Patentability" fails to provide a "detailed explanation of how ***each of the claims*** are patentable over each of the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c)" (emphasis added). Applicant provided only broad discussion of the patentability of the invention without reference to any claims. Applicant failed to provide the detailed explanation of how **each of the claims** is patentable over the references cited.

Regarding the requirement in item 6.5 above, the "Accelerated Examination Support Document", is deficient because section 9(F) fails to include a showing of where ***each limitation of each of the claims*** finds support under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 in the written description of the instant specification and the five benefit applications. Petitioner provides a broad statement that support is shown for the pending claims and identifies paragraphs of the specification without providing any indication of a showing where each specific claim limitation finds support in the written description of the specification for each of the claims. Clarification is required.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this revised decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3068.

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Filed: October 01, 2009
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Title: **UNIVERSAL TRACKING ASSEMBLY**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on December 29, 2009 requesting reconsideration to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed December 10, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not

file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3068.

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Attorney Docket No. **091417-0109** : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 01, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement by Salomon Terner attesting that he is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michelle R. Eason at 571-272-4231.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing. This application will be accorded "special" status when pre-examination processing is done.

Michelle R. Eason
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DECISION DISMISSING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(c)

The declaration of express abandonment will not be recognized

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(c), for express abandonment to avoid publication of the above-identified application.

The petition is dismissed.

The express abandonment will **not** be recognized for the reason(s) indicated below:

1. ☑ The petition under 37 CFR 1.138(c) was not filed in sufficient time to permit the appropriate officials to recognize the abandonment and remove the application from the publication process.
2. ☐ The petition was not signed by a party authorized by 37 CFR 1.33(b)(1), (3) or (4).
3. ☐ The Application was published in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 122(b), and it is available on the USPTO web site at http://www.uspto.gov/patft/index.html.
4. ☐ Petition fee was not paid.

The application **has/will be published** as scheduled.

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DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(d)

The declaration of express abandonment is recognized

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(d), requesting for a refund of any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee in the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The express abandonment is recognized. Any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee are hereby refunded.

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In re Application of :
TOMA, TADAMASA et al. :
Application No. 12/572,538 :
Filed: October 02, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 2009_1520 :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 02, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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In re Application of	:	
STEGEMANN et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/572,852	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 02 October 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 196698 (22402-80)	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 11 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2839 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of:
OH, HYEN-O et al.
Serial No.: 12/572,998
Filed: October 2, 2009

Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 2, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 5.2, 5.3, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.
Regarding the requirement in item 5.2 and 5.3 above, the preexamination search document provided with the instant petition is deficient as follows: The US field of search and database searches which are to be provided under section 8(A) are not sufficient. In addition to the search areas provided, applicant would also need to search in the following class/ subclasses: 704/500, 504; and 381/2, 17, 19, 22, 23 and 119.

If any request for reconsideration is filed, an updated preexamination search must be conducted as per items 5.2 and 5.3 above, and the Preexamination Search Document must be amended to indicate such; a new Information Disclosure Statement should be filed to cite any newly found prior art, and the Accelerated Examination Support Document must also be amended to include the necessary reference and discussion of any newly found and cited prior art in accordance with all of items 6 through 6.6 above; as well as the necessary updated discussion of patentability for each of the dependent claims (or a statement that claims stand or fall together) as set forth above.

Regarding the requirement in items 6.2 and 6.3 above, petitioner does not provide an identification of claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of each of the claims ***with respect to each reference*** cited in the IDS in support of the Accelerated Examination Support Document. Petitioner has only identified and also argued the patentability of the claims in regard to two of the eight cited references in the IDS filed with the accelerated examination support document. The Accelerated Examination Support Document does not provide an identification of all claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of all of the claims with respect to the other five cited references. *Therefore, any request for reconsideration must provide a detailed explanation in regard to the claims with respect to the other five cited references as set forth in items 6.2 and 6.3 above.*

Regarding the requirement in item 6.5 above, the "Accelerated Examination Support Document", is deficient because it fails to include a showing of where ***each limitation of the claims*** finds support under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 in the written description of ***each benefit application***. As set forth supra, "*if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph,* ***in each such application in which such supports exists***". It is noted that the instant application claims benefit to parent applications 12/405,164 as well as priority to the following provisional applications: 60/869077, 60/883569, 60/884043, 60/884347, 60/884585, 60/885343, 60/885347, 60/889715, 60/877134 and 60/955395. Petitioner has not provided a showing of support for any of these benefit applications. Therefore, an updated accelerated examination support document must be provided which shows where each limitation of the claims finds support in each of these benefit applications as well.

Regarding the requirement in item 6.6 above, petitioner has not identified if any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Doris To, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-7629.

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In re Application of: OH, HYEN-O et al Serial No.: 12/572,998 Filed: October 2, 2009 Attorney Docket No: 24622-0062003 Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**	DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on November 19, 2009 with clarification statement filed 12/2/09 requesting reconsideration to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed October 19, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not

file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 2, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 5.2, 5.3, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirement in item 5.2 and 5.3 above, the preexamination search document provided with the instant petition is deficient as follows: The US field of search and database searches which are to be provided under section 8(A) are not sufficient. In addition to the search areas provided, applicant would also need to search in the following class/ subclasses: 704/500, 504; and 381/2, 19, 22, 23 and 119.

If any request for reconsideration is filed, an updated preexamination search must be conducted as per items 5.2 and 5.3 above, and the Preexamination Search Document must be amended to indicate such; a new Information Disclosure Statement should be filed to cite any newly found prior art, and the Accelerated Examination Support Document must also be amended to include the necessary reference and discussion of any newly found and cited prior art in accordance with all of items 6 through 6.6 above; as well as the necessary updated discussion of patentability for each of the dependent claims (or a statement that claims stand or fall together) as set forth above.

Regarding the requirement in items 6.2 and 6.3 above, petitioner does not provide an identification of claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of each of the claims ***with respect to each reference*** cited in the IDS in support of the Accelerated Examination Support Document. Petitioner has only identified and also argued the patentability of the claims in regard to two of the eight cited references in the IDS filed with the accelerated examination support document. The Accelerated Examination Support Document does not provide an identification of all claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of all of the claims with respect to the other six cited references. *Therefore, any request for reconsideration must provide a detailed explanation in regard to the claims with respect to the other six cited references as set forth in items 6.2 and 6.3 above.*

Regarding the requirement in item 6.5 above, the "Accelerated Examination Support Document", is deficient because it fails to include a showing of where ***each limitation of the claims*** finds support under the first paragraph of 35 USC 112 in the written description of ***each benefit application***. As set forth supra, "*if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph,* ***in each such application in which such supports exists***". It is noted that the instant application claims benefit to parent applications 11/952,919 as well as priority to the following provisional applications: 60869077, 60/883569, 60/884043, 60/884347, 60/884585, 60/885343, 60/885347, 60/889715, 60/877134 and 60/955395. Petitioner has not provided a showing of support for any of these benefit applications. Therefore, an updated accelerated examination support document must be provided which shows where each limitation of the claims finds support in each of these benefit applications as well.

Regarding the requirement in item 6.6 above, petitioner has not identified if any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

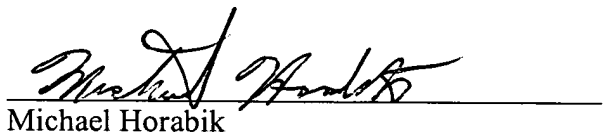
DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3068.



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OH, HYEN-O et al
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Attorney Docket No: 24622-0066002
Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on December 03, 2009 requesting reconsideration to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed November 03, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not

file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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In re Application of:
OH, HYEN-O et al.
Serial No.: 12/573,061
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Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 2, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 5.2, 5.3, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirement in item 5.2 and 5.3 above, the preexamination search document provided with the instant petition is deficient as follows: The US field of search and database searches which are to be provided under section 8(A) are not sufficient. In addition to the search areas provided, applicant would also need to search in the following class/ subclasses: 704/500, 504; and 381/2, 19, 22, 23 and 119.

If any request for reconsideration is filed, an updated preexamination search must be conducted as per items 5.2 and 5.3 above, and the Preexamination Search Document must be amended to indicate such; a new Information Disclosure Statement should be filed to cite any newly found prior art, and the Accelerated Examination Support Document must also be amended to include the necessary reference and discussion of any newly found and cited prior art in accordance with all of items 6 through 6.6 above; as well as the necessary updated discussion of patentability for each of the dependent claims (or a statement that claims stand or fall together) as set forth above.

Regarding the requirement in items 6.2 and 6.3 above, petitioner does not provide an identification of claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of each of the claims ***with respect to each reference*** cited in the IDS in support of the Accelerated Examination Support Document. Petitioner has only identified and also argued the patentability of the claims in regard to two of the eight cited references in the IDS filed with the accelerated examination support document. The Accelerated Examination Support Document does not provide an identification of all claimed limitations and/or a detailed explanation of patentability of all of the claims with respect to the other six cited references. *Therefore, any request for reconsideration must provide a detailed explanation in regard to the claims with respect to the other six cited references as set forth in items 6.2 and 6.3 above.*

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Regarding the requirement in item 6.6 above, petitioner has not identified if any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

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OH, HYEN-O et al
Serial No.: 12/573,061
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Attorney Docket No: 24622-0068002
Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on December 03, 2009 requesting reconsideration to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed November 03, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

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To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not

file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

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   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

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    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 2, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

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3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 5.2, 5.3, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.
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If any request for reconsideration is filed, an updated preexamination search must be conducted as per items 5.2 and 5.3 above, and the Preexamination Search Document must be amended to indicate such; a new Information Disclosure Statement should be filed to cite any newly found prior art, and the Accelerated Examination Support Document must also be amended to include the necessary reference and discussion of any newly found and cited prior art in accordance with all of items 6 through 6.6 above; as well as the necessary updated discussion of patentability for each of the dependent claims (or a statement that claims stand or fall together) as set forth above.

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Regarding the requirement in item 6.6 above, petitioner has not identified if any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

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In re Application of: OH, HYEN-O et al Serial No.: 12/573,067 Filed: October 2, 2009 Attorney Docket No: 24622-0069002 Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**	DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on November 19, 2009 with clarification statement filed 12/2/09 requesting reconsideration to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed October 19, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

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To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

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If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

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If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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OH, HYEN-O et al.
Serial No.: 12/573,077
Filed: October 2, 2009

Title: **METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR DECODING AN AUDIO SIGNAL**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 2, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions set forth under section I. above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions set forth under section II Items 5.2, 5.3, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6.

For these reasons cited above, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.
Regarding the requirement in item 5.2 and 5.3 above, the preexamination search document provided with the instant petition is deficient as follows: The US field of search and database searches which are to be provided under section 8(A) are not sufficient. In addition to the search areas provided, applicant would also need to search in the following class/ subclasses: 704/500, 504; and 381/2, 17, 19, 22, 23 and 119.

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Regarding the requirement in item 6.6 above, petitioner has not identified if any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

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All of the requirements to correct the deficiencies outlined in the petition decision mailed October 19, 2009 have been met.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

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Application No. 12/573,175	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Filed: October 5, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. 91652CAEK	:	

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed October 5, 2009.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

As authorized, the petition fee of $200 will be charged to petitioner's deposit account.

This application is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1794 for examination.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Andrea Smith at (571) 272-3226.

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In re Application of
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Application No. 12/573,175
Filed: October 5, 2009
For: ORGANIC ELEMENT FOR LOW VOLTAGE ELECTROLUMINESCENT DEVICES

Dear Mr. Begley:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Andrea Smith at (571) 272-3226. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (571) 272-3150 or 1 (800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington, DC area).

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In re application of
John Larry Sanders
Serial No. 12/573,506
Filed: October 5, 2009
For: GYPSUM FERTILIZER PRODUCTS WITH POLYMER ADJUVANTS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 5, 2009 to make the above-identified application special under the accelerated examination program.

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED.**

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours;

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview;

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner;

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the field of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions regarding the application (section I, subsections 1-4) discussed above are considered to have been met. Additionally, the conditions regarding the petition, section II, subsections 1-4 and 6, are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with condition II, subsection 5.

It appears that the search is incomplete. Note that a search in Class 71/subclass 63 is also required.

Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is dismissed. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Christine Tierney, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-1055.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the Request for Reconsideration of Petition to Make Special under the Accelerated Examination Program filed on December 10, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED.**

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
   If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
   An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
   A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
   Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Christine Tierney, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-1055.

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In re Application of
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Filed: Oct. 5, 2009
Attorney Docket No. n/a
Title: COMBUSTION POWERED HYDROELECTRIC SEQUENTIAL TURBINES

: DECISION ON PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
: PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed Jan. 15, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction

requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks items #1, #5 and #9.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 60/645) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard.

In regard to item 9, petitioner should note that since no request in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 has been made for the early publication of the present application and the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) has not been received, the petition is dismissed.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3748 for action in its regular turn.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed February 8, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 5 above for the reasons explained in more detail below.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Eddie C. Lee at 571-272-1732.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2116 for action in its regular turn.

/Eddie C. Lee/

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This is a decision on the request for reconsideration, filed March 23, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Eddie C. Lee at 571-272-1732.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2116 for action in its regular turn.

/Eddie C. Lee/

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 5, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence showing that the applicant is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3632 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Title: SYSTEM FOR LOADING PARTICULATE MATTER INTO A TRANSPORT CONTAINER

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 5, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any independent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the field of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 U.S.C. 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions I:1-4, II: 1-5, 5.3, 6, and 6.6 above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions II : 5.1, 5.2, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5 above.

Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Discussion

When referring to "the petition" hereinbelow, the received papers under consideration include the PTO/SB/28 form, the "pre-examination search document" including pages 1-12; the "accelerated examination support document" comprising pages 1-34, and an Information Disclosure Statement including form PTO/SB/08A.

Regarding the requirements of section II element 5.1 and 5.2 outlined above, it appears the search outlined in the petition omitted a critical search area by not searching in
class 141 subclasses 231, 250, 280, 283, 284
class 222 subclasses 608, 612
class 414 subclasses 179, 288, 293, 300, 303, 332, 467, 468, 507.

Regarding the requirements of section II element 5.3, the IDS filed appears to be for references of general interest. No IDS was found listing the references discussed in the accelerated examination support document.

Regarding the requirements of section II element 6.2 outlined above, the petition fails to identify all of the limitations in the application claims that are disclosed in each of the reference(s) and where the limitation is disclosed in each of the cited reference. As stated in the policy published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), for each reference cited, the examination support document must include an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference. The policy statement does not caveat "the independent claims", nor does it allow for grouping and general discussions. A grantable petition must delineate every limitation of every claim and identify where the equivalent limitation is disclosed in each piece of prior art cited on the IDS. As is published on www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/ in "Guidelines for Applicants under the new accelerated examination procedures"):

> *For each reference cited, the accelerated examination support document must include an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference. Applicants should specify where in each of the cited references the particular claim limitations are found. This process is intended to be analogous to the analysis an examiner uses when locating a relevant prior art reference and then determining whether the reference contains the claimed limitation. For each claimed limitation, the examiner would consider the disclosure of the reference and all reasonable portions in the reference where the limitation is shown. When preparing an Office Action, the examiner would correlate the limitation to the portion of reference which best characterizes the limitation. This part of the AESD is not intended to be an exhaustive listing of every conceivable subjective interpretation of how a claim limitation may read on the reference. Applicants should point out what are considered to be the relevant representations of the limitation in the reference. A limitation may be found in more than one portion of the reference and should be pointed out, yet the intention is not to have applicants point out every*

conceivable interpretation. The USPTO will adopt a rule of reason when evaluating this portion of the AESD. Unless the representation is so deficient that it would materially effect examination of the application (e.g., numerous instances where the limitations are not shown where applicant states they are), the representation will be deemed to be sufficient for this part of the AESD.

Petitioner's submission is not specific enough. Petitioner does not address each limitation in each claim and where it is (or state that it is not) found in each closest prior art.

Similarly, with respect to the requirements of section II element 6.3 outlined above, the petition fails to provide a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over (each of) the reference(s) with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Petitioners should be specific in their explanation and include the identification of specific claim limitations that support their position, where appropriate. Petitioners must distinguish each claim from each piece of prior art cited. General statements that the claims are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the cited references or that the references are not properly combinable will not be acceptable. The Office cannot infer or guess what petitioner believes the differences between the claims and the teachings of the prior art to be. Petitioner's statements must also be consistent and must be related to the claim language. In the instant petition, the specific limitations that make the claims patentable are not discussed. The general statement under 35 USC 102 is not sufficient. Limitations in the dependent claims that are considered to provide patentability should the independent claims be unpatentable must be set forth separately in both the 35 USC 102 and 103 sections. All claims must be individually addressed with regard to patentability.

Regarding the requirements of section II element 6.5 outlined above, the requirements of this section are not met. A grantable petition requires petitioner to provide a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. Not all limitations in all the provisional applications have been addressed as to whether support is shown. When left blank in the table, it is not clear whether the limitation is not supported or was omitted by mistake. A positive statement for each limitation must be provided.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address all of the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal

of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Linda J. Sholl, TC 3700 Special Programs Examiner, at (571) 272-4391.

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In re Application of: Schroeder et al. Application No.: 12/573879 Filed: October 5, 2009 Docket: POETP141USB Title: SYSTEM FOR LOADING PARTICULATE MATTER INTO A TRANSPORT CONTAINER	DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on January 4, 2010, to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
   If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
   An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
   A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
   Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Linda Sholl, Special Programs Examiner, at (571) 272-4391

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Application No. 12/574,003	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 06 October 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 19441-0386	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 28 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item 1 above.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 323/207) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2838 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 28 December 2009 and renewed on 18 June 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (21 May 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2836 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 237692-1	:	PILOT PROGRAM
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANIPULATING A COMPONENT OF A WIND TURBINE		

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item(s) #1 and #5.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard. The statement provided fails to explain how the present invention materially contributes to the development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

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In re Application of	:	
NIES, JACOB JOHANNES	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/574023	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: Oct. 6, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237692-1	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 18, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Hwang et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/574,043	:	TO WITHDRAW
Filed: October 6, 2009	:	FROM RECORD
Attorney Docket No. 086121-0041	:	

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed March 4, 2010.

The request is **NOT APPROVED** because it is moot.

A review of the file record indicates that on April 5, 2010 the power of attorney to Ladas & Parry was revoked by the assignee of the patent application. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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In re Application of: Stevenson et al.
Application No.: 12/574147
Filed: October 6, 2009
Docket: GREATB-52056

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 6, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

It is noted that an office action was mailed on November 25, 2009. Since the petition is grantable, applicant is entitled to have the application reviewed under the provisions of the accelerated examination program. As such, the examiner's office action mailed on November 25, 2009 is **hereby VACATED** in order for the examiner to prepare an office action under the accelerated examination guidelines.

The examiner is instructed to prepare an office action in accordance with the accelerated guidelines as set forth in MPEP 708.02(a) III.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral

election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Linda Sholl, Special Programs Examiner, at (571) 272-4391

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Appl. No.: 12/574,341
Filing Date: October 6, 2009
Title: OVARIAN CANCER BIOMARKERS AND USES THEREOF
Attorney Docket No.: 0057.24
Pub. No.: US 2010/0086948 A1
Pub. Date: April 8, 2010

This is a decision on the request for republication of patent application publication under 37 CFR 1.221(a), filed on April 30, 2010, for the above-identified application.

The request under 37 CFR 1.221(a) is DISMISSED.

37 CFR 1.221(a) requires "a copy of the application in compliance with the Office electronic filing system requirements and be accompanied by the publication fee set forth in § 1.18(d) and the processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i)". If the request for republication does not comply with the electronic filing system requirements, the republication will not take place and the publication fee set forth in § 1.18(d) will be refunded. The processing fee will be retained.

The applicant did not supply a copy of the application in compliance with the Office electronic filing system, as required by 37 CFR 1.221(a) because **the Applicant submitted the papers as a "Document for an existing application", which are entered into the application file, and not as a "Pre-Grant Publication" submission**. The request for republication does not comply with the electronic filing system requirements, thus republication will not take place.

Any request for republication under 37 CFR 1.221(a), must be submitted via the EFS system, as a Pre-Grant publication submission and must include a copy of the application in compliance with the Office electronic filing system requirements. The applicant is directed to the following website for additional instructions on how to submit a Pre-Grant Publication submission via the electronic filing system:

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Any questions or requests for reconsideration of the decision should be addressed as follows:

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Application No. 12/574,516
Filed: October 6, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **59281-400400**

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 7, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement by the inventor. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2612 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of	**: DECISION ON REQUEST TO**
TOMITA et al.	**: PARTICIPATE IN THE PATENT**
Application No.: 12/574,543	**: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY**
Filed: 06 October 2009	**: PROGRAM AND PETITION**
Attorney Docket No.: 02887.0560-01000	**: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER**
For: METHOD OF TREATING A SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE	**: 37 CFR 1.102(d)**

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 09 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

Discussion

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

1. The U.S. application is

    a. a Paris Convention application which either
        i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
    b. a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
        iii. contains no priority claim, or
    c. a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or

iii. contains no priority claim;

2. Applicant must submit a copy of:
   a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s);
   b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s) and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
3. Applicant must:
   a. Ensure all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s) and
   b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;
4. Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
5. Applicant must submit:
   a. Documentation of prior office action:
      i. a copy of the office action(s) just prior to the "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) or
      ii. if the allowable/patentable claims(s) are from a "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" then the Notification of Reasons for Refusal or
      iii. if the JPO application is a first action allowance then no office action from the JPO is necessary should be indicated on the request/petition form;
   b. An English language translation of the JPO Office action from (5)(a)(i)-(ii) above
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
6. Applicant must submit:
   a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action (unless already submitted in this application)
   b. Copies of the documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already submitted in this application);
7. The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc.index.html.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision once the formalities review has been completed.

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In re Application of	:	
KONDO, KUNIO et al	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/575,028	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: Oct. 7, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 12049-0080	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
For: STEEL PIPE WITH EXCELLENT EXPANDABILITY AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed ~~Aug.~~ Oct. 7, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **dismissed**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition met all conditions except Item #1 above. The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition fail to perfect the foreign priority claim. In particular, a certified copy of the PCT/JP2008/066624 is needed.

The applicant is encouraged to cite and submit all relevant prior art references, if any, to facilitate examination in this application.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Response must be filed via EFS-Web. Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen, at 571-272-4856.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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In re Application of: KONDO, KUNIO et al Serial No.: 12/575,028 Filed: Oct. 7, 2009 Docket: 12049-0080 Title: STEEL PIPE WITH EXCELLENT EXPANDABILITY AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME	DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the renewed request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed November 25, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more corresponding application(s) filed in the JPO or to a PCT application that does not contain any priority claim, or the U.S. application must be a national stage entry of a PCT application that does not contain any priority claim;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and the petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

The application is undergoing pre-examination processing. Once it is released for examination, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. Telephone inquiries concerning the status of this application should be directed to the Supervisory Patent Examiner, Mr. Tu Hoang, Art Unit 3742 at 571-272-4780.

Petition is **granted**.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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This is a response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.59(b), filed October 26, 2009, to expunge information from the above identified application.

The petition is **dismissed**.

Petitioner requests that the Information Disclosure Document filed October 7, 2009 be expunged from the record.

However, the petition is premature since prosecution of the application has not been closed by way of the allowance of the application, the mailing of an Ex parte Quayle action, or the abandonment of the application. See MPEP 724.06. Accordingly, it is not appropriate to make a final determination of whether or not the material requested to be expunged is "material," with "materiality" being defined as any information which the examiner considers as being important to a determination of patentability of the claims. Thus, the decision on the petition to expunge must be dismissed at this time.

During prosecution on the merits, the examiner will determine whether or not the identified document is considered to be "material." If the information is not considered by the examiner to be material and the conditions related to the expungement of unintentionally submitted information, discussed as A-F in MPEP 724.05 II, are satisfied, the information will be removed from the official file.

After the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, an Ex parte Quayle action or a Notice of Abandonment, the petition to expunge may be renewed by applicant(s) or applicant(s)' representative. No further fee is required for such a second submission of a petition under 37 CFR 1.59 to expunge information. **In addition, the requester is cautioned to renew the petition under 37 CFR 1.59 for reconsideration by the Office prior to the point at which the present file, or file claiming priority to the present file, is forwarded for issuance of the**

patent. This is to be done no later than immediately after the examiner has issued a Notice of Allowance, an Ex parte Quayle action or a Notice of Abandonment. A failure to timely renew the petition to expunge prior to the point at which the file is forwarded for issuance will result in the material being retained in the patented file and thus becoming open to the public.

The application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1793.

Telephone inquiries concerning this communication should be directed to Carl Friedman at (571) 272-6842.

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In re Application of: KAPOOR, A.
Serial No.: **12/575,230**
Filed: October 07, 2009
Atty. Docket No.: 9381.003.CNUS00
Title of Invention: **STREAMNG MEDIA SEEK**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on November 06, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" issued June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:

If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event

may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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In re Application of: OKADA A.
Application No. 12/575,318
Filed: October 7, 2009
Atty. Docket No.: JP920060014US2
For: Generating Functional Test Scripts

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(D)

This is a decision on the ~~renewed~~ request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed ~~July 8~~ October 7, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application is
(a) a Paris Convention application which either
(i) validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the JPO, or
(ii) validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims,

Or

(b) a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
(i) validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
(ii) validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
(iii) contains no priority claim,

Or

(c) a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111 (a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application
(i) validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or

(ii) validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
(iii) contains no priority claim.

Where the JPO application that contains the allowable/patentable claims is not the same application for which priority is claimed in the U.S. application, applicant must identify the relationship between the JPO application that contains the allowable/patentable claims and the JPO priority application claimed in the U.S. application.

(2) Applicant must submit a copy of:
a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) or if a copy of the allowable/patentable claims is available via the Dossier Access System (DAS) applicant may request the USPTO obtain a copy from the DAS, however if the USPTO is unable to obtain a copy from the DAS the applicant will be required to submit a copy;
b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s) and
c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;

(3) Applicant must:
a. Ensure all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s) and
b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;

(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;

(5) Applicant must submit:
a. Documentation of prior office action:
i. a copy of the office action(s)just prior to the "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) or
ii. if the allowable/patentable claims(s) are from a "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" then the Notification of Reasons for Refusal or
iii. if the JPO application is a first action allowance then no office action from the JPO is necessary should be indicated on the request/petition form;

Further, if a copy of the documents from a or b above is available via the Dossier Access System (DAS) applicant may request the USPTO obtain a copy from the DAS, however if the USPTO is unable to obtain a copy from the DAS the applicant will be required to submit a copy; b. An English language translation of the JPO Office action from (5)(a)(i)-(ii) above c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;

(6) Applicant must submit:
a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action (unless already submitted in this application).
b. Copies of the documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already submitted in this application);

(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition are found to comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Mano Padmanabhan at 571-272-4210.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc/index.html.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Mano Padmanabhan/

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In re Application of :
Ji-Hyoung Yoon :
Application No. 12/575,383 : NOTICE
Filed: October 7, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. SDIYOU.128AUS :

This is a notice regarding your request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28. On September 1, 1998, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that 37 CFR 1.28(c) is the sole provision governing the time for correction of the erroneous payment of the issue fee as a small entity. **See DH Technology v. Synergystex International, Inc. 154 F.3d 1333, 47 USPQ2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. Sept. 1, 1998).**

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. **1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989).** Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. Accordingly, all future fees paid in this application must be paid at the large entity rate.

Inquiries related to this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-1642.

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In re Application of :
Alibhai MURTAZA et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/575427 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: October 7, 2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 2001235.00146US2 : PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed March 23rd, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1–9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1656 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Manjunath Rao/

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Application No. 12/575430 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: October 7, 2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 2001235.00147US2 : PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed March 23rd, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1–9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1656 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12575439

Filed: October 7,2009

Attorney Docket No. 82766US (301495)

:DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
:UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

This is a decision on the electronic petition under 37 CFR 1.102 (c)(1), filed 17-MAY-2010 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must include a statement by applicant or a registered practitioner having evidence that applicant is at least 65 years of age. No fee is required.

Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status and will be taken up for action by the examiner upon the completion of all pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this electronic decision should be directed to the Electronic Business Center at 866-217-9197.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/575,654 :
Filed: October 08, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 2009_1583 :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 08, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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Application No. 12/575,762	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 08 October 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 30020-235001	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 30 December 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2834 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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12/575,779	10/08/2009	Tadamasa Toma	2009_1521	1713

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TOMA, TADAMASA, et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/575,779	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 8, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 2009_1521	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(d)

The declaration of express abandonment is recognized

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(d), requesting for a refund of any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee in the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The express abandonment is recognized. Any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee are hereby refunded.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the Office of Data Management at (571) 272-4200.

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In re Application of	:	
SHELLY, Minteer et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/576014	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: October 8, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. SLU 4554.10	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 1, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1651 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/576,026	10/08/2009	Daniel G. Nocera	M0925.70236US02	1210

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Nocera et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/576,026	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/8/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **M0925.70236US02**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/18/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 205/340.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action in its regular turn.

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12/576,066	10/08/2009	Daniel G. Nocera	M0925.70235US02	1298

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Application No. 12/576,066	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/08/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **M0925.70235US02**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/18/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 205/633.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action in its regular turn.

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12/576,117	10/08/2009	John M. Guynn	18002.2.1	1407

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Application No. 12/576,117
Filed: 10/8/2009
Attorney Docket No. **18002.2.1**

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/11/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 106/705.000 that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Applicants remarks filed on 12/11/2009 regarding the classification of the instant application have been considered but are not deemed to be persuasive. While, it is common practice for applications to be cross referenced in other similar classes/subclasses; for purposes of the current pilot, the Original classification controls. For this particular application, the original classification is deemed to be proper.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1793 for action in its regular turn.

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Application No. 12/576,117	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
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Attorney Docket No. **18002.2.1**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 5/25/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1793 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re application of
Charles Jensen et al
Serial No. 12/576,178
Filed: October 8, 2009
For: METHOD OF RENDERING A RADIOACTIVE AND AQUEOUS HEAT TRANSFER LIQUID IN A NUCLEAR REACTOR TO A REDUCED RADWASTE QUANTITATIVE STATE

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 8, 2009 to make the above-identified application special under the accelerated examination program.

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED.**

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours;

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview;

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner;

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the field of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions regarding the application (section I, subsections 1-4) discussed above are considered to have been met. Additionally, the conditions regarding the petition, section II, subsections 1-4 and 6, are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with condition II, subsection 5.

It appears that the search is incomplete. Note that a search in Class 588/subclass 20 and Class 976, Digest 383 is also required.

Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is dismissed. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Christine Tierney, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-1055.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the Request for Reconsideration of Petition to Make Special under the Accelerated Examination Program filed on December 22, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED.**

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
   If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
   An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
   A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
   Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Christine Tierney, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-1055.

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E. Byron Glore, Jr.	:	
Application No. 12/576,187	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 8, 2009	:	TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 24432-0002001	:	FROM RECORD
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed February 4, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The request was signed by John C. Phillips on behalf of all attorneys of record. All attorneys/agents have been withdrawn. Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

All future correspondence will be directed to the first named inventor E. Byron Glore at the address indicated below.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

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NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 02/04/2010.

- The withdrawal as attorney in this application has been accepted. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.

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In re Application of
Saroj Kumar Sahu et al.
Application No. 12/576,235
Filed: October 8, 2009
Attorney Docket No. 43610.45

DECISION ON PETITION
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **moot because a revocation of power of attorney has been filed.**

A review of the file record indicates that the power of attorney to Gary J. Edwards and all attorneys/agents of record has been revoked by the assignee of the patent application on May 19, 2010. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at 571-272-4618.

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Date Mailed: 06/23/2010

NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/19/2010.

- The Power of Attorney to you in this application has been revoked by the assignee who has intervened as provided by 37 CFR 3.71. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record(37 CFR 1.33).

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Application No. 12/576,235	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/8/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **6426-00400**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 7/2/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Bruce Conway :
Application No. 12/576,240 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 8, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 43610.38 : FROM RECORD
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

The request was signed by Gary J. Edwards on behalf of the practitioners of record associated with Customer Number 27683.

Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

The request to change the correspondence of record is not acceptable as the requested correspondence address is not that of: (1) the first named signing inventor; or (2) an intervening assignee of the entire interest under 37 C.F.R 3.71. All future communications from the Office will be directed to the first named signing inventor or the assignee of the entire interest at the first copied address below until otherwise properly notified by the applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

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NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/14/2010.

- The withdrawal as attorney in this application has been accepted. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
Saroj Kumar Sahu et al.
Application No. 12/576,242
Filed: October 9, 2009
Attorney Docket No. 43610.36

DECISION ON PETITION
TO WITHDRAW
FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **moot because a revocation of power of attorney has been filed.**

A review of the file record indicates that the power of attorney to Gary J. Edwards and all attorneys/agents of record has been revoked by the assignee of the patent application on May 19, 2010. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at 571-272-4618.

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NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/19/2010.

- The Power of Attorney to you in this application has been revoked by the assignee who has intervened as provided by 37 CFR 3.71. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record(37 CFR 1.33).

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In re Application of	:	
SAHU et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/576,242	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 09 October 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 6426-00600	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, 02 July 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made

by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

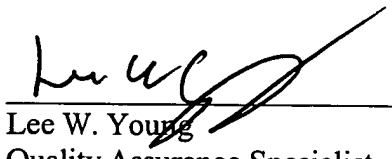
The petition lacks item 4.

In regard to item 4, applicant's statement pertaining to how the materiality standard is met does not satisfy the requirements for this pilot. The instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status as materially contributing to the development of renewable energy sources and more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources. However, the materiality standard does not permit an applicant to speculate as to how a hypothetical end-user might specially apply the invention in a manner that could materially contribute the development of renewable energy sources. The claims are directed to a method and apparatus for determining a state of a battery. The arguments presented in the petition are considered speculation as to how a hypothetical end-user might specially apply the invention.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2858 for action in its regular turn.



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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/576355 : ON PETITION
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Attorney Docket No. MPC0242USP :

This is in response to the "PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.57(a) TO ADD INADVERTENTLY OMITTED MATERIAL TO ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION" filed on November 10, 2009, requesting that the above-referenced application be accorded a filing date of October 9, 2009. This petition is being treated pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(e)(2)[1].

Application papers in the above-identified application were deposited on October 9, 2009. However, on November 2, 2009, the Office of Patent Application Processing mailed applicants a "Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application," notifying applicants that the application papers had not been accorded a filing date because the application was deposited without drawings. In response, applicants timely filed this petition. Applicants request that the application be amended to include the inadvertently omitted drawings on the basis that the application as filed contained a prior benefit claim under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78.

Petitioner's arguments and evidence have been considered. However, a review of the application confirms that, as filed, the application contained at least one method claim. MPEP 601.01(f) provides that:

> It has been USPTO practice to treat an application that contains at least one process or method claim as an application for which a drawing is not necessary for an understanding of the invention under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).

Thus, pursuant to § 601.01(f), a drawing is not considered essential for a filing date. The instant application is entitled to a filing date without drawings present in the application.

[1] Any request for review of a notification pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section, or a notification that the original application papers lack a portion of the specification or drawing(s), must be by way of a petition pursuant to this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(f). In the absence of a timely (§ 1.181(f)) petition pursuant to this paragraph, the filing date of an application in which the applicant was notified of a filing error pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section will be the date the filing error is corrected.

Accordingly, the Office should have granted the application a filing date and mailed a Notice of Omitted Items instead of a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application. As stated in MPEP 601.01(g) under the section entitled, "Application Entitled to a Filing Date," applicant may submit an amendment to include the inadvertently omitted portion of the drawing(s) pursuant to 37 CFR 1.57(a):

> [i]f an application was filed on or after September 21, 2004, and contains a claim under 37 CFR 1.55 for priority of a prior-filed foreign application, or a claim under 37 CFR 1.78 for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional, nonprovisional, or international application that was present on the filing date of the application, and the omitted portion of the drawing(s) was inadvertently omitted from the application and is completely contained in the prior-filed application[.]

Please note that no petition is required and that the amendment must comply with 37 CFR 1.57(a) and 37 CFR 1.121. See MPEP § 201.17. Petitioners may wish to consider filing a preliminary amendment to enter the inadvertently omitted drawings. If a preliminary amendment is filed, it will be reviewed for new matter by the examiner.

To the extent the instant petition requests a filing date of October 9, 2009, with no drawings present in the application, the petition is **GRANTED**.

Given the basis for granting this petition, the petition fee is being refunded.

Pursuant to this decision, the application will be referred to Office of Patent Application Processing for:

- **correction of the filing date to October 9, 2009;**
- **for indication in Office records, as appropriate, that "0" sheets of drawings were present on filing** and
- **for issuance of a filing receipt.**

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Senior Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at (571) 272-3231.

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In re Application of :
Lee, et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/576,415 :
Filed: October 9, 2009 :
Atty Docket No. 065543-5049-01 :

This is a decision on the "PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.57(a)(3)AND/OR 1.57(b) TO ACCORD FILING DATE THROUGH INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE," filed December 8, 2009, requesting that the above-referenced application be accorded a filing date of October 9, 2009.

Application papers in the above-identified application were filed on October 9, 2009. However, on October 27, 2009, the Initial Patent Examination Division mailed applicants a "Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application," notifying applicants that the application papers had not been accorded a filing date because the application was deposited without a complete specification as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 112. In addition, the oath or declaration was missing.

In response, applicants timely filed this petition. In which, applicants acknowledge inadvertently omitting a copy of the specification and drawings from the parent application on submission of the instant divisional application. Applicants argued, however, that the filing date of October 9, 2009, should still be accorded pursuant to § 1.57(a)(3).

On September 21, 2004, § 1.57 was added to read, in pertinent part that:

> (a) Subject to the conditions and requirements of this paragraph, if all or a portion of the specification or

> drawing(s) is inadvertently omitted from an application, but the application contains … a claim under 1.78 for the benefit of a prior-filed provisional, nonprovisional or international application, that was present on the filing date of the application, and the inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s) is completely contained in the prior-filed application, the claim under … § 1.78 shall also be considered an incorporation by reference of the prior-filed application as to the inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s).
>
> (1) The application must be amended to include the inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s) within any time period set by the Office, but in no case later than the close of prosecution as defined by § 1.114(b), or abandonment of the application, whichever occurs earlier;
>
> (3) If an application is not otherwise entitled to a filing date under § 1.53(b), the amendment must be by way of a petition pursuant to this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(f).

It is noted that the application as filed included a preliminary amendment, with a claim under 1.78 for the benefit of prior-filed Application No. 11/023,782. Thus, pursuant to 1.57, the application as filed is considered to have incorporated by reference the prior filed application as to the inadvertently omitted specification and drawings.

The instant petition includes an amendment adding the inadvertently omitted specification and drawings, a copy of the prior-filed application, and an identification of where the inadvertently omitted specification and drawings may be found in the prior-filed application, along with the required $400.00 petition fee.

In view of the incorporation by reference of the prior application, the specification and drawings supplied on December 8, 2009 would not constitute new matter if they were a part of the original disclosure of the prior application. Of course, the examiner is expected to compare the specification and drawings supplied on December 8, 2009, to the disclosure of prior

Application No. 11/023,782 in order to verify that they are an accurate copy of the prior specification and drawings and that they contain no new matter.

In view thereof, the petition is **GRANTED**.

Receipt of the declaration filed in Application No. 11/023,782, and filed in this application on December 8, 2009 is acknowledged. In addition, the Office acknowledges receipt of a $130.00 late declaration surcharge.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Application Processing (OPAP) for **accordation of a filing date of October 9, 2009**, as a divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of prior application No. 11/023,782, including the copy of specification and drawings from the prior application supplied on December 8, 2009. Applicants will receive appropriate notifications regarding the fees owed, if any, and other information in due course from OPAP.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the Senior Petitions Attorney Shirene Willis Brantley at (571) 272-3230.

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In re Application of
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Application No. 12/576,429
Filed: October 9, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **2009_1584**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

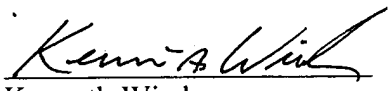
(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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Application No.: 12/576,590
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Attorney Docket No.: MTIS-46016
For: SENSOR APPARATUS

: DECISION ON REQUEST TO
: PARTICIPATE IN THE PATENT
: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
: PROGRAM AND PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 30 October 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

Discussion

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

1. The U.S. application is
    a. a Paris Convention application which either
        i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
    b. a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
        iii. contains no priority claim, or
    c. a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or

iii. contains no priority claim;

2. Applicant must submit a copy of:
   a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s);
   b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s) and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
3. Applicant must:
   a. Ensure all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s) and
   b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;
4. Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
5. Applicant must submit:
   a. Documentation of prior office action:
      i. a copy of the office action(s) just prior to the "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) or
      ii. if the allowable/patentable claims(s) are from a "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" then the Notification of Reasons for Refusal or
      iii. if the JPO application is a first action allowance then no office action from the JPO is necessary should be indicated on the request/petition form;
   b. An English language translation of the JPO Office action from (5)(a)(i)-(ii) above
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
6. Applicant must submit:
   a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action (unless already submitted in this application)
   b. Copies of the documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already submitted in this application);
7. The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc.index.html.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/576,603 :
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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);

2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.

3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;

4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the field of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims is patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support

under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The petition in this case fails to comply with conditions II.5.1.

Regarding Condition II.5.1, it is required that Applicant's search involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement.

Specifically, Applicant did not search most of the database files suggested by the search template. Applicant is reminded that search templates, specific to each class/subclass, may be found at http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/searchtemplates/. For example, the instant application is best classified in 705/44. Looking toward the available search templates and recommended areas of search for class 705/44 (see http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/searchtemplates/class705-035.htm), some of the more relevant search areas would include a text search in the listed Non-Patent Literature database files. A comprehensive list of recommended database files is found on the 705/44 search template web page as well. Especially relevant to the claimed subject matter are database files such as:

ABI/INFORM
ACM Digital Library
American Banker Financial Publications
Banking Information Source
Bond Buyer Full Text
Business & IndustryTM (B&I)
Business Wire
DIALOG Finance and Banking Newsletters
Dialog Global Reporter
Dictionary.com
Dissertation Abstracts Online
Dissertations and Theses - Full Text
EBSCOhost Research Databases
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McGraw-Hill Companies Publications Online
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Wall Street Journal Abstracts
Wilson Applied Science & Technology Abstracts

Accordingly, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

DECISION

For the above stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within one (1) month or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the date of this decision. No extensions of time will be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) if the request is to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Teri Luu at (571) 272-7045.

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In re application of	:	
Michael Kloster	:	**DECISION ON PETITION**
Application No. 12/576,603	:	**TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR**
Filed: October 9, 2009	:	**NEW APPLICATION**
For: PROVIDING PAYMENT DATA	:	**UNDER 37 CFR 1.102**
TOKENS FOR ONLINE TRANSACTIONS	:	
UTILIZING HOSTED INLINE FRAMES	:	

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 7, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed to a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Quality Assurance Specialist Teri P. Luu, at (571) 272-7045.

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In re Application of
Roy L. Fox

Application No. 12576604

Filed: October 9,2009

Attorney Docket No. 54834.0300

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:DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
:UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the electronic petition under 37 CFR 1.102 (c)(1), filed 18-NOV-2009 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must include a statement by applicant or a registered practitioner having evidence that applicant is at least 65 years of age. No fee is required.

Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status and will be taken up for action by the examiner upon the completion of all pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this electronic decision should be directed to the Electronic Business Center at 866-217-9197.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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Description : Petition to make special based on Age/Health

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BASED ON AGE FOR ADVANCEMENT OF EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)

Application Information

Application Number	12/576,604	Confirmation Number	2462	Filing Date	2009-10-09
Attorney Docket Number (optional)	54834.0300	Art Unit	3644	Examiner	TBA
First Named Inventor	Roy L. Fox, Jr.				
Title of Invention	PARACHUTE RELEASE SYSTEM AND METHOD				

Attention: Office of Petitions

An application may be made special for advancement of examination upon filing of a petition showing that the applicant is 65 years of age, or more. No fee is required with such a petition. See 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP 708.02 (IV).

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR ADVANCEMENT OF EXAMINATION IN THIS APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP 708.02 (IV) ON THE BASIS OF THE APPLICANT'S AGE.

A grantable petition requires one of the following items:
(1) Statement by one named inventor in the application that he/she is 65 years of age, or more; or
(2) Certification by a registered attorney/agent having evidence such as a birth certificate, passport, driver's license, etc. showing one named inventor in the application is 65 years of age, or more.

Name of Inventor who is 65 years of age, or older

Given Name	Middle Name	Family Name	Suffix
Roy	L.	Fox	Jr.

A signature of the applicant or representative is required in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33 and 10.18.
Please see 37 CFR 1.4(d) for the format of the signature.

Select (1) or (2) :

○ (1) I am an inventor in this application and I am 65 years of age, or more.

◉ (2) I am an attorney or agent registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office, and I certify that I am in possession of evidence, and will retain such in the application file record, showing that the inventor listed above is 65 years of age, or more.

Signature	/Ryan Ricks/	Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2009-11-18
Name	Ryan Ricks	Registration Number	60572

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6. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to another federal agency for purposes of National Security review (35 U.S.C. 181) and for review pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 218(c)).

7. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the Administrator, General Services, or his/her designee, during an inspection of records conducted by GSA as part of that agency's responsibility to recommend improvements in records management practices and programs, under authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906. Such disclosure shall be made in accordance with the GSA regulations governing inspection of records for this purpose, and any other relevant (i.e., GSA or Commerce) directive. Such disclosure shall not be used to make determinations about indivi duals.

8. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the public after either publication of the application pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b) or issuance of a patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 151. Further, a record may be disclosed, subject to the limitations of 37 CFR 1.14, as a routine use, to the public if the record was filed in an application which became abandoned or in which the proceedings were terminated and which application is referenced by either a published application, an application open to public inspections or an issued patent.

9. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency, if the USPTO becomes aware of a violation or potential violation of law or regulation.

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In re Application of :
Brand et al. :
Application No. 12/576,639 : ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. DKT 10753 :
For: CLEANSING FORMULATIONS COMPRISING NON-CELLULOSIC POLYSACCHARIDE WITH MIXED CATIONIC SUBSTITUENTS

This decision is mailed in response to the petition, filed April 23, 2010, under 37 CFR 1.182 to accept a substitute specification which contains information that was inadvertently removed from the specification of the above-identified application during its conversion from a document in Microsoft Word into a ".pdf" document.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is **DISMISSED**.

Petitioners state that in the conversion of the application from Microsoft Office Word format into an Adobe ".pdf" file that the Adobe Acrobat 9 Standard program failed to accurately convert text contained in a single paragraph which bridged form one page to another and would start the next page with the next paragraph, thereby losing the text contained in the portion of the bridging paragraph found of the new page.

Petitioners request that the Office accept a substitute specification that now contains the text lost as a result of the failure of the Adobe Acrobat 9 Standard program to accurately convert the text of the instant application and that the application retain a filing date of October 9, 2009.

This is not a situation can be remedied under 37 CFR 1.182, a situation not specifically provided for in the rules. Petitioners are advised that the statutory basis for 37 CFR 1.53(b) -Application filing requirements - Nonprovisional application - is 35 U.S.C. 111. 35 U.S.C. 111(a)(4) states in pertinent part, "...The filing date of an application shall be the date on which the specification and any required drawing are received in the Patent and Trademark Office." The word "shall" appears in 35 USC 111(a)(4). It is well settled that the use of "shall" in a statute is the language of command, and where the directions of a statute are mandatory, then strict compliance with the statutory terms is essential. Farrel Corp. V. U.S. Int'l Trade Comm'n, 942 F.2d 1147, 20 USPQ2d 1912 (Fed. Cir. 1991).

The Office has no discretion in this situation. Since the text was not filed on October 9, 2009, it is not possible to accept the substitute specification. Therefore, the petition is **dismissed**.

However, it is noted that the application as filed contained a proper benefit claim to Provisional Application No. 61/195,698, filed October 9, 2008. 37 CFR 1.57(a), incorporation by reference, provides a method whereby an applicant may amend an application to include an inadvertently omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s). Where a filing date has been accorded an application, a petition is not necessary to add the omitted portion of the specification or drawing(s). Petitioners may wish to promptly file an amendment to add the material lost in conversion, *if* the material was present in Provisional Application No. 61/195,698. The issue of new matter is appropriately addressed by the examiner of record.

The application is being referred to Technology Center A.U. 1796 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230.

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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/576,712
Filed: October 9, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349382US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

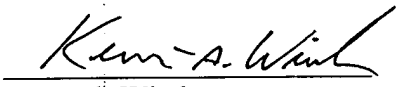
(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/576,745 :
Filed: October 09, 2009 :
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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 09, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/576,760	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 09, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349307US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 09, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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Attorney Docket No. 349367US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/576,788	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 9, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349317US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/576,821
Filed: October 9, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349467US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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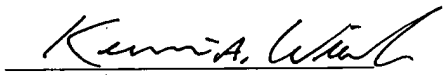
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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In re Application of
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Application No. 12/576,828
Filed: October 9, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **6639P793**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed February 1, 2010 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

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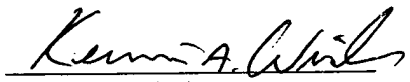
The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/576,897 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: October 9, 2009 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)
Attorney Docket No. 1619-3 :

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed October 9, 2009.

The petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**.

The petition and declaration have been reviewed and determined to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a).

The application is hereby accorded Rule 47 status.

As provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(c), the Office will provide notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the last known address provided in the petition. Notice will also be provided in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Application processing for pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/576,897 :
Filed: October 9, 2009 : LETTER
Title: High Velocity Adiabatic Impact :
Powder Compaction

Dear Mr. Lindell:

You are named as an inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 USC 116 (United States Code) and 37 CFR 1.47(b), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as the sole inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, agent of record would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Cliff Congo at (571)272-3207. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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In re Application of :
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Powder Compaction

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Serial No.: 12/576930

Filed: October 9, 2009
Docket: EURA-001/07US
Title: STABLE DIGESTIVE ENZYME COMPOSITIONS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael P. Woodward, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-8373.

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Attorney Docket No. 349152US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/577,090 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. 39085-701.401 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he/she has evidence that inventor Angela Brodie is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1628 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Irvin Dingle
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he/she has evidence that inventor Angela Brodie is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1628 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/577,092 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. 39085-701.403 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

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Karl Fisher et al
Serial No. 12/577,093
Filed: October 9, 2009
For: LUBRICANT COMPOSITIONS

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 9, 2009 to make the above-identified application special under the accelerated examination program.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED.**

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other

than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

   For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

   To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office.

In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Christine Tierney, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-1055.

/Christine Tierney/

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Quality Assurance Specialist
Technology Center 1700

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Angela Brodie et al :
Application No. 12/577,094 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. 39085-701.404 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he/she has evidence that inventor Angela Brodie is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The matter is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1628 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/577,096 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. 39085-701.405 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
:

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he/she has evidence that inventor Angela Brodie is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1628 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
Saroj Kumar Sahu et al. :
Application No. 12/577,124 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: Bruce Conway : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 6426-00700 : FROM RECORD
:

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **moot because a revocation of power of attorney has been filed.**

A review of the file record indicates that the power of attorney to Gary J. Edwards and all attorneys/agents of record has been revoked by the assignee of the patent application on May 19, 2010. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at 571-272-4618.

/Kimberly Inabinet/

Kimberly Inabinet
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12/577,127	10/09/2009	Saroj Kumar Sahu	43610.32	3588

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In re Application of :
Sahu :
Application No. 12//577,127 :
Filed: 10/9/2009 :
Attorney Docket No. **43610.32** :

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/23/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition

must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Tom Dunn/

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Saroj Kumar Sahu :
Application No. 12/577,127 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 6426-00800 : FROM RECORD
:

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) or 37 C.F.R. § 10.40 filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

A review of the file record indicates that Gary J. Edwards: (1) does not have power of attorney in this patent application; and (2) has been employed or otherwise engaged in the proceedings in this patent application. In view of the present decision, Gary J. Edwards has been withdrawn from the present application and may not prepare or submit papers under 37 C.F.R. § 1.34, or correspond in any manner in this application unless appointed in an acceptable power of attorney under 37 C.F.R. § 1.32(b).

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210.

Irvin Dingle
Petitions Examiner
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Suresh Kumar Surapalan Nair et al. :
Application No. 12/577,131 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 43610.40 : FROM RECORD
:

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **moot because a revocation of power of attorney has been filed.**

A review of the file record indicates that the power of attorney to Gary J. Edwards and all attorneys/agents of record has been revoked by the assignee of the patent application on May 19, 2010. Accordingly, the request to withdraw under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) is moot.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Kimberly Inabinet at 571-272-4618.

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In re Application of :
Rick Winter :
Application No. 12/577,134 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 43610.34 : FROM RECORD
:

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

The request was signed by Gary J. Edwards on behalf of the practitioners of record associated with Customer Number 27683.

Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

The request to change the correspondence of record is not acceptable as the requested correspondence address is not that of: (1) the first named signing inventor; or (2) an intervening assignee of the entire interest under 37 C.F.R 3.71. All future communications from the Office will be directed to the first named signing inventor or the assignee of the entire interest at the first copied address below until otherwise properly notified by the applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

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12/577,134	10/09/2009	Rick Winter	43610.34

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Date Mailed: 06/25/2010

NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/14/2010.

- The withdrawal as attorney in this application has been accepted. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.

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Date Mailed: 06/25/2010

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/14/2010.

The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.

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Application No. 12/577,134	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/9/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **43610.34**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 7/2/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Asit PANJA :
Application No. 12/577,141 :
Filed: October 9, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. **117471-010201** :

DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed March 26, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others.

The request was signed by Beverly Lubit on behalf of all attorneys of record. All attorneys/agents associated have been withdrawn. Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the first named signing inventor at the address below until otherwise properly notified by the applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7253.

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Petitions Examiner, Office of Petitions

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In re Application of :
Saroj Kumar Sahu et al :
Application No. 12/577,147 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 9, 2009 : TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 43610.43 : FROM RECORD
:

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 14, 2010.

The request is **APPROVED**.

The request was signed by Gary J. Edwards on behalf of the practitioners of record associated with Customer Number 27683.

Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

The request to change the correspondence of record is not acceptable as the requested correspondence address is not that of: (1) the first named signing inventor; or (2) an intervening assignee of the entire interest under 37 C.F.R 3.71. All future communications from the Office will be directed to the first named signing inventor or the assignee of the entire interest at the first copied address below until otherwise properly notified by the applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

Irvin Dingle
Petitions Examiner
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cc: Saroj Kumar Sahu
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12/577,147	10/09/2009	Saroj Kumar SAHU	43610.43

CONFIRMATION NO. 3620

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Date Mailed: 06/25/2010

NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/14/2010.

- The withdrawal as attorney in this application has been accepted. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.

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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 05/14/2010.

The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.

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In re Application of :
Yuan-Chi Lin :
Application No. 12/577,195 : DECISION REFUSING STATUS
Filed: October 11, 2009 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)
Attorney Docket No. TW-GNA-0670CIP :

This is in response to the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47, filed October 11, 2009, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b).[1]

The petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b) is **DISMISSED**.

Rule 47 applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. **Failure to respond will result in abandonment of the application.** Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63; (3) the petition fee; (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor; (5) proof that the Rule

[1] 37 CFR 1.47(b) applies when none of the inventors have signed the declaration. When at least one inventor has signed, then Rule 1.47(a) is applicable.

47(b) applicant has sufficient proprietary interest in the subject matter to justify the filing of the application; and (6) proof of irreparable damage. The instant petition does not satisfy requirements (1), (2), and (6).

As to requirement (1), there is no indication that the non-signing inventor was presented with a complete copy of the application papers. Rather, the petition indicates that the non-signing inventor was only sent a "certified mail" - no mention is made of its contents.

Regarding this, the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure states:

> It is reasonable to require that the inventor be presented with the application papers before a petition under 37 CFR 1.47 is granted since such a procedure ensures that the inventor is apprised of the application to which the oath or declaration is directed. In re Gray, 115 U.S.P.Q. 80 (Comm'r Pat. 1956).
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> A refusal by an inventor to sign an oath or declaration when the inventor has not been presented with the application papers does not itself suggest that the inventor is refusing join the application unless it is clear that the inventor understands exactly what he or she is being asked to sign and refuses to accept the application papers.[2]

On renewed petition, petitioner must establish that the non-signing inventor was presented with the application papers. If the non-signing inventor was in fact previously presented with the application papers, petitioner can state that for the record.

As to requirement (2), Rule 47 applicant has not submitted an acceptable oath or declaration. As set forth in MPEP 409.03(b), the "37 CFR 1.47(b) applicant must make the oath required by 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 or 1.175." The title or position of the person signing must be stated if signing on behalf of a corporation. Where a corporation is the 37 CFR 1.47(b) applicant, an officer (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Chief Executive Officer) thereof should normally sign the necessary oath or declaration. A corporation may authorize any person, including a registered attorney or agent, to sign the oath or declaration on its behalf. Where an oath or declaration is signed by a registered attorney or agent on behalf of a corporation, proof of the attorney's or agent's authority in the form of a statement signed by the appropriate corporate officer

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[2] Id.

must be submitted (i.e. by submitting a Rule 3.73(b) statement), or the attorney or agent can simply state that he or she is authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation. Here, the declaration submitted was blank - no signature of the person signing on behalf of the Rule 1.47(b) applicant was provided.

As to requirement (6), irreparable damage may be established by a statement that a filing date is necessary to preserve the rights of the party or to prevent irreparable damage. See MPEP 409.03(g).

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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In re Application of :
Yuan-Chi Lin :
Application No. 12/577,195 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: October 11, 2009 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)
Attorney Docket No. TW-GNA-0670CIP :

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed February 17, 2010.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is **GRANTED**.

Applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) on October 11, 2009. However, the petition was dismissed in a decision mailed on December 17, 2009. The petition was dismissed because applicant did not submit an acceptable oath or declaration. In addition, applicant did not establish that a copy of the application papers was mailed to the non-signing inventor. Lastly, applicant did not establish irreparable damage.

With the instant renewed petition, applicant has overcome the deficiencies set forth in the December 17, 2009 decision.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). Accordingly, the above-identified application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status. As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the last known address provided in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 2829 for docketing and examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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In re Application of	:	
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Application No. 12/577,215	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 12, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. MOBILE05set	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 12, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the applicant declaring that he is 65 years of age or older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2617 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Terri Johnson
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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/577,231
Filed: October 12, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349412US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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12/577,398		Takeshi Chujoh	349417US2SRD DIV	4191

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/577,398	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 12, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349417US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status. The application is undergoing pre-examination processing. Once it is released for examination, the

application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
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Application No. 12/577,407
Filed: October 12, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349422US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

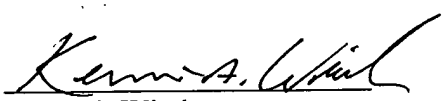
(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/577,414 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/12/2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **10031.006000** : PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 2/5/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Tom Dunn/

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Filed: 10/12/2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **10031.006200** : PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 2/5/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 9 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1795 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/577,426
Filed: October 12, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349272US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,437 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349342US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,449 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349242US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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Filed: October 12, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349257US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
Cameron John Dasch
Application No. 12/577,501
Filed: October 12, 2009
Attorney Docket No. P005377-RD-MJL/GM90008US2

DECISION REFUSING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed October 12, 2009.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Rule 47 applicant is given **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. **FAILURE TO RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT OF THE APPLICATION.** Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116; (3) the petition fee; and (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor.

The petition lacks items (1), (2) and (4) set forth above.

In the present petition, petitioner explains that a specification, claims and drawings were sent to inventor Cameron John Dasch by email on March 11, 2009. Also, multiple emails were sent to Mr. Dasch at a previous email address and on June 1, 2009, an updated email address was provided by General Motors in which "information on when he would be able to finalize his review of the non-provisional application" was requested. Petitioner further states, "On 10 August 2009, my assistant Tammie Lanthier sent a FedEx package to Cameron John Dasch at his last known residence address, containing a cover letter, a

copy of the subject non-provisional application (specification, claims and drawings), a declaration ready for execution, and an assignment ready for execution. On 12 August 2009, my assistant Tammie Lanthier received a confirmation email from FedEx informing us that the package of item-11 above had been received and signed for. The recipient was listed as Cameron J. Dasch."

As to item (1), a review of the record shows that no evidence (i.e., copies of any emails, FedEx return receipt, or etc.) has been submitted to the Office. Therefore, the present petition cannot be granted at this time.

37 CFR 1.47(b) states: Whenever all of the inventors refuse to execute an application for patent, or cannot be found or reached after diligent effort, a person to whom an inventor has assigned or agreed in writing to assign the invention, or who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest in the matter justifying such action, may make application for patent on behalf of and as agent for all the inventors. The oath or declaration in such an application **must be accompanied by a petition including proof of the pertinent facts, a showing that such action is necessary to preserve the rights of the parties or to prevent irreparable damage,** the fee set forth in § 1.17(g), **and the last known address of all of the inventors**. An inventor may subsequently join in the application by filing an oath or declaration complying with § 1.63.

As to item (2), an oath or declaration for the patent application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 has not been presented. The declaration has not been signed by a properly empowered representative of the Rule 47 applicant. **No one** has signed the declaration. An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 listing Mr. Dasch's information, signed by the Rule 1.47 applicant on behalf of Mr. Dasch is REQUIRED. See MPEP 409.03(b).

MPEP 409.03(b) states that typically when a corporation is the Rule 47 applicant, an officer should sign the declaration and provide his/her title. Where an oath is signed by a registered attorney on behalf of a corporation, either proof of the attorney's authority in the form of a statement signed by an appropriate corporate officer must be submitted, or the attorney may simply state that he is authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation. The Rule 47 applicant must state his/her relationship to the inventor as required by 37 CFR 1.64.

As to item (4), 37 CFR 1.47(b) requires that the last known address of the inventor be provided. Since the address has not been provided, the petition cannot be granted.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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The Centralized facsimile number is (571) 273-8300, and documentation to this number should be addressed to the Office of Petitions.

Correspondence regarding this decision may also be filed through the electronic filing system of the USPTO.

To expedite consideration, petitioner may wish to contact the undersigned regarding the filing of the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b).

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3226.

Andrea Smith
Petitions Examiner
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In re Application of :
Cameron John Dasch :
Application No. 12/577,501 : DECISION REFUSING STATUS
Filed: October 12, 2009 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)
Attorney Docket No. P005377-RD-MJL/GM90008US2 :

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed June 10, 2010.

In response to the decision mailed April 15, 2010, petitioner submits the present renewed petition on June 10, 2010.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

This application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 2858 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3226.

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In re Application of
Cameron John Dasch
Application No. 12/577,501
Filed: October 12, 2009
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ANALYZING WELD STRENGTH OF FRICTION STIR SPOT WELDS

Dear Mr. Dasch:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(b), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3226. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (571) 272-3150 or 1 (800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington, DC area).

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Application No. 12/577,505	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 12, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. HAND.3884	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 12, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from the attorney of record declaring that he is in possession of such evidence proving that the applicant is 65 years of age of older. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Terri Johnson at 571-272-2991.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3751 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Terri Johnson
Petitions Examiner
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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al. :
Application No. 12/577,523 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. **349252US2SRD DIV** :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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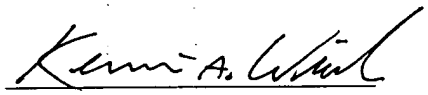
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,542 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349207US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 349182US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,554 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349247US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

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The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
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Application No. 12/577,556 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349192US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,562 :
Filed: October 12, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349197US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 12, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
Raleigh L. Cox

Application No. 12577572

Filed: October 12,2009

Attorney Docket No. 18521/110792-01

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:DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
:UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the electronic petition under 37 CFR 1.102 (c)(1), filed 12-FEB-2010 to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must include a statement by applicant or a registered practitioner having evidence that applicant is at least 65 years of age. No fee is required.

Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status and will be taken up for action by the examiner upon the completion of all pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this electronic decision should be directed to the Electronic Business Center at 866-217-9197.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/577,743	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349157US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,744 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349177US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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Application No. 12/577,748	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349172US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,752 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349167US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,754 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349327US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349212US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

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Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349162US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al. :
Application No. 12/577,772 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349287US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 349262US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
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	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 13, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement (PTO/SB/130 form) by applicant's attorney that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Additionally, it is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition and from there will be referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3672 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Filed: October 13, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349297US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/578,015 :
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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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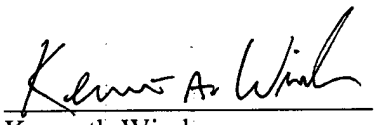

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In re Application of: Masaki UTSUMI et al. Serial No.: 12/578,040 Filed: October 13, 2009 Title: METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	:	DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.2

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:
1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview;

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5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the field of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable expectation; and

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document. An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists; and

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions regarding the application (section I, subsections 1-4) discussed above are considered to have been met. Additionally, the conditions regarding the petition (section II, subsections 1-5) are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with the all the conditions set forth in section II, subsection 6. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirements of section II, subsection 6.5, the petition is required to provide a showing of where ***each limitation*** (italics added) of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph in the ***written description*** (italics added) of the specification. While the examination support document provides a showing for the current application, as set forth in item 6.5 on page 2 of this decision, "if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists." The current application claims the benefit of a parent application under title 35, United States Code 120 to US patent application 11/798,676, as noted on page 1 of the specification, but the examination support document fails to provide a showing of support in the parent application. For these reasons, the petition does not meet the requirement of section II, subsection 6.5.

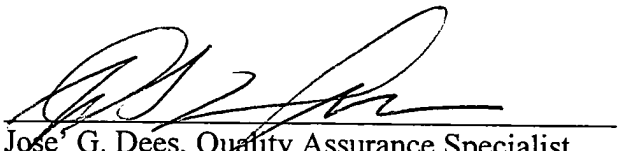
DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petition is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Quality Assurance Specialist Jose' G. Dees at (571) 272-1569.



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In re Application of: Masaki UTSUMI et al. Serial No.: 12/578,040 Filed: October 13, 2009 Title: METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	: : : : : :	DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.2

This is a correction of the decision on petition mailed December 9, 2009. The decision on the petition filed on October 13, 2008 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) was incomplete for failing to note all deficiencies. The decision on petition mailed December 9, 2009 is supplemented with this decision.

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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The preexamination search must:

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions regarding the application (section I, subsections 1-4) discussed above are considered to have been met. Additionally, the conditions regarding the petition (section II, subsections 1-5) are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with the all the conditions set forth in section II, subsection 6. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding the requirements of section II, subsection 6.5, the petition is required to provide a showing of where ***each limitation*** (italics added) of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph in the ***written description*** (italics added) of the specification. While the examination support document provides a showing for the current application, as set forth in item 6.5 on page 2 of this decision, "if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists." The current application claims the benefit of a parent application under title 35, United States Code 120 to US patent application 11/798,676 and benefit to two foreign applications under United States Code 119, as noted on page 1 of the specification, but the examination support document fails to provide a showing of support in the foreign applications. For these reasons, the petition does not meet the requirement of section II, subsection 6.5.

DECISION

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **dismissed**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petition is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

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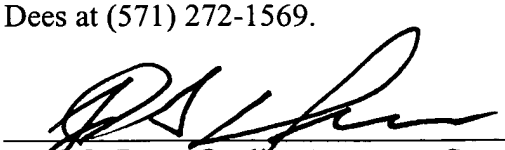

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This is a decision on the request for reconsideration of the petition to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) filed March 16, 2010. The petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) was dismissed on February 17, 2010.

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The petition was previously dismissed on December 9, 2009, however, the dismissal was incomplete for not requiring a showing for the two foreign applications under 35 USC 112. Upon reconsideration and in view of the supplemental support documents submitted December 19, 2009 and March 16, 2010, the petition is granted.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the

examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

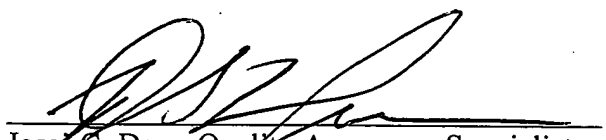
   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Quality Assurance Specialist Jose' G. Dees at (571) 272-1569.



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In re Application of	:	
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/578,049	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349312US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 349432US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/578,084	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
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This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(d)

The declaration of express abandonment is recognized

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(d), requesting for a refund of any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee in the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The express abandonment is recognized. Any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee are hereby refunded.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the Office of Data Management at (571) 272-4200.

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In re Application of :
OSHIMA, MITSUAKI et al. :
Application No. 12/578,134 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. MAT-6260US5 :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **DISMISSED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition is deficient as follows:

Petitioner has not complied with items 2 and 7 above.

Regarding item 2, allowed claims from JPO have been provided for JPO application 2009-177851 and correspondence to the claims of the instant application shown. However, the relationship of the above JPO application and that of any of JPO applications 8-347284, 8-323770, 8-041583 for which priority is claimed has not been established. In response to this decision, Requestor must establish the relationship between the application containing the allowed claims and that for which priority is claimed.

Regarding item 7, the required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) is missing.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Any response must be submitted via EFS-web.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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OSHIMA, MITSUAKI et al
Application No. 12/578,134
Filed: October 13, 2009
Attorney Docket No. MAT-6260US5

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the renewed request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed March 19, 2010 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition now comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al. :
Application No. 12/578,145 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349217US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. 349322US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/578,206
Filed: October 13, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349302US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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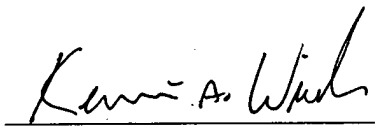
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

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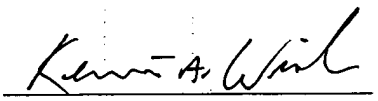

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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/578,232
Filed: October 13, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349187US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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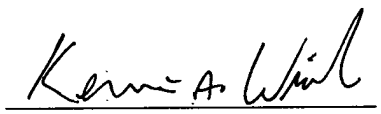
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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Application No. 12/578,242	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349202US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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Application No. 12/578,243
Filed: 10/13/2009
Attorney Docket No. **H0020445**

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 12/9/2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face

that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 585/320.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1797 for action in its regular turn.

/Tom Dunn/

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12/578,255	10/13/2009	Brian Z. Ring	2003923-0030 (AGI-0030)	5967

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In re Application of: RING et al.

Serial No.: 12/578,255

Filed: October 13, 2009
Docket: 2003923-0030 (AGI-0030)
Title: **TLE3 AS A MARKER FOR CHEMOTHERAPY**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is GRANTED.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
   To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
   To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

   Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

   On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
   If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
    The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Michael P. Woodward, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-8373.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/578,293	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. **349292US2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

The application is undergoing pre-examination processing. Once it is released for examination, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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Application No. 12/578,325 :
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 13, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes a statement by the applicant that he is 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further processing in accordance with this decision on petition and from there will be referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 1614 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al. :
Application No. 12/578,344 :
Filed: October 13, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349267US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
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(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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Filed: October 13, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349427US2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 13, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of	:	
Kenneth P. Weiss	:	
Application No. 12/578,472	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 13, 2009	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. **W0537-700520**	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed December 7, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in MPEP § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a certification by a registered attorney. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to JoAnne Burke at 571-272-4584.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Application Processing for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

JoAnne Burke
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In re Application of :
Roger T. Young :
Application No. 12/578,510 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 13, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. USPA-0087 CON : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED.**

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement from a registered practitioner that he has evidence that inventor Roger T. Young is over 65 years of age. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at 571-272-3210. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3725 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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FRASER, PAUL et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/578554	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/13/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. INF-001	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 05/21/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Timothy S. Thorpe at 571-272-5377.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3748 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Timothy S. Thorpe/

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In re Application of :
Koch, et al. :
Application No. 12/578,573 : DECISION
Filed: 13 October, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. U008 0801/GNM

This is a decision on the petition filed on 23 October, 2009, under 37 C.F.R. §1.27(g)(2) requesting that status as a Small Entity be removed.

NOTE:

Petitioner has the responsibility of reviewing Petitioner's records and submitting accurate information to the Office. Petitioner has a duty of candor to the Office to properly inquire to ascertain the accuracy of representations made before the Office. (*See*: 37 C.F.R. §1.4, §10.18, MPEP §410.)

Petitioner's submission is **ACCEPTED**.

In accordance with the request, status as a Small Entity will be removed, and Petitioner is required to pay fees at the schedule set forth for not-small entities. **The additional fees are charged to Deposit Account 02-1037 as authorized**.

The availability of applications and application papers online to applicants/practitioners who diligently associate their Customer Number with the respective application(s) now provides an applicant/practitioner on-demand information as to events/transactions in an application.

Out of an abundance of caution, Petitioners always are reminded that that those registered to practice and all others who make representations before the Office **must** inquire into the

underlying facts of representations made to the Office and support averments with the appropriate documentation–since all owe to the Office the continuing duty to disclose.[1]

The instant application is released to Technology Center/AU 1797 for further processing in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3214—it is noted, however, that all practice before the Office is in writing (see: 37 C.F.R. §1.2[2]) and the proper authority for action on any matter in this regard are the statutes (35 U.S.C.), regulations (37 C.F.R.) and the commentary on policy (MPEP). Therefore, no telephone discussion may be controlling or considered authority for Petitioner's action(s).

/John J. Gillon, Jr./
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[1] See supplement of 17 June, 1999. The Patent and Trademark Office is relying on Petitioner's duty of candor and good faith and accepting a statement made by Petitioner. See Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure, 62 Fed. Reg. at 53160 and 53178, 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office at 88 and 103 (responses to comments 64 and 109)(applicant obligated under 37 C.F.R. §10.18 to inquire into the underlying facts and circumstances when providing statements to the Patent and Trademark Office).

[2] The regulations at 37 C.F.R. §1.2 provide:

§1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.

All business with the Patent and Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged oral promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt.

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In re Application of
CHUJOH, TAKESHI, et al.
Application No. 12/578,615
Filed: October 14, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **349237US2SRD DIV**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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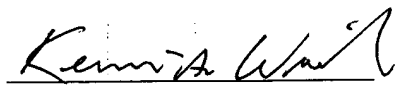
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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Application No. 12/578,677	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. 08,128-A	:	

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed December 2, 2009.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Rule 47 applicant is given TWO (2) MONTHS from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. **FAILURE TO RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT OF THE APPLICATION.** Any extensions of time will be governed by 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116; (3) the petition fee; and (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor. Applicant lacks item (1) set forth above.

As to item (1), the applicable statute (35 U.S.C.§ 116) requires that a "diligent effort" have been expended in attempting to find or reach the non-signing inventor. *See* MPEP 409.03(a). The showing currently fails to demonstrate, with a documented showing, that a diligent effort was made to find or locate non-signing inventor Amir Sadr, such that the declaration can be accepted under 37 CFR 1.47(a). Where inability to find or locate a named inventor(s) is alleged, a statement of facts should be submitted that fully describes the exact facts which are relied on to establish that a *diligent effort* was made to locate the inventor.

Petitioner has not demonstrated that all efforts were expended in trying to locate inventor non-signing Amir Sadr. In this regard, petitioner should, at the very least, conduct a search of the regional or national registry(s). The results of such search should be made in any future petition for reconsideration. *See* MPEP 409.03(d). Additionally, petitioner should state whether he has access to inventor Amir Sadr's personnel records and, if so, what does inspection of the records reveal as to a current address, forwarding address, or an address of the nearest living relative? What does inspection of the phone directories for those address locations reveal? If the papers

are returned and all other attempts to locate or reach the inventor, e.g., through personnel records, co-workers, E-mail, the Internet or the telephone, etc., continue to fail, then applicant will have established that the inventor cannot be reached after diligent effort or has refused to join in the application. **The statements of facts must be signed, where at all possible, by a person having firsthand knowledge of the facts recited therein and should be accompanied by documentary evidence in support of the statement of facts.** It is important that the forthcoming communication contain statements of fact as opposed to conclusions.

Where there is an express or oral refusal, that fact, along with the time and place of the refusal, must be stated in an affidavit or declaration by the party to whom the refusal was made. Where there is a written refusal, a copy of the document(s) evidencing that refusal must be made part of the affidavit or declaration.

When it is concluded by the rule 47 applicant that an omitted inventor's conduct constitutes a refusal, all facts upon which that conclusion is based should be stated in an affidavit or declaration. If there is documentary evidence to support facts alleged in the affidavit or declaration, such evidence must be submitted.

Whenever an omitted inventor gives a reason for refusing to sign the application oath or declaration, that reason should be stated in the affidavit or declaration.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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Telephone inquiries should be directed to Petitions Examiner Liana Walsh at (571) 272-3206.

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Application No. 12/578,821 :
Filed: October 14, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. **349452US2SRD DIV** :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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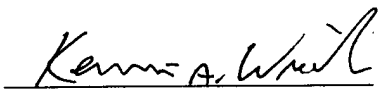
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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Application No. 12/578,834
Filed: October 14, 2009
Attorney Docket No. 5046.3122.003

DECISION

This is a decision on the fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28(c), filed November 3, 2009.

The fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 of $628 is hereby **accepted**.

The change of status to large entity has been entered.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3207.

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Attorney Docket No. 2009_1631	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
For: PLASMA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PLASMA PROCESSING METHOD	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 29, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **dismissed**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

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(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition met all conditions except Item #6 above. The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition fail to include:
1. Microfilm of Japanese Utility Model Application No. 1-20293 (Laid Open Publication No. 2-113330); 2. JP 11-121600 A; 3. JP 2005-64460 A; 4. JP 2001-230234 A; 5. JP 2000-252267 and 6. CD-ROM of Japanese Utility Model Application No. 5-3583.
The patent documents were cited in the corresponding JPO Office action of May 20, 2009.
Applicant is encouraged to cite and submit all relevant prior art references, if any, to facilitate examination in this application.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Response must be filed via EFS-Web. Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen, at 571-272-4856.

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12/578,882	10/14/2009	Takeshi CHUJOH	349447US2SRD DIV	7202

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/578,882	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No.**349447US2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of :
PAL, SUJAN KUMAR et al : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/578,900 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: Oct. 14, 2009 : THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237792 : PILOT PROGRAM
Title: WIND TURBINE BLADE WITH FOREIGN MATTER DETECTION DEVICES

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 16, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant

will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived. The petition lacks item(s) #1 and #5.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 416/001) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

In regard to item 5, petitioner should note that the instant petition includes a statement identifying the basis for the special status (i.e., whether the instant invention (1) materially enhances the quality of the environment or materially contributes to (2) development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation, or (3) greenhouse gas reduction) as required by sections II and III of the notice. However, as stated in the notice, applicant must also provide a statement pertaining to the materiality standard if the application disclosure is not clear on its face as to the materiality of the basis for the special status of the invention. This petition lacks such a statement and it is not agreed that the application on its face meets that materiality standard. The statement provided fails to explain how the present invention materially contributes to the development of renewable energy resources or energy conservation.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856. The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action in its regular turn.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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PAL, SUJAN KUMAR et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/578900	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: Oct. 14, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. 237792	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 18, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 3745 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/ Henry C. Yuen /

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In re Application of :
Oscar T. SCOTT, IV :
Application No. 12/579,004 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 14, 2009 : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Attorney Docket No. SCOTT.000003 : 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed October 14, 2009, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The instant petition includes a statement made by registered attorney Brian F. Russell, which will be treated as the result of the attorney having evidence that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age or more. In the event that such evidence is not with the attorney, the Office should be notified immediately. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to undersigned at 571-272-6735.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application is being returned to Technology Center Art Unit 3633 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Saint Victor, MARIE ESTHER et al.	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/579008	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. J-5213	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed January 6, 2010 to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s)1 as explained in more detail below.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 424/739) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Manjunath Rao at 571-272-0939.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1655 for action in its regular turn.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,044**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN4
Title: **METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR USING A DISTRIBUTED STORAGE TO ITS MAXIMUM BANDWIDTH**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.4-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1 - 6.3** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Suh, Zuckerman and Lee. Petitioner further indicated that:

"For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that nine (9) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. §

1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the **limitations in the claims** that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD provides according to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference. However, the AESD's section 9(C)"Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

In this case, for example, regarding claim 1 and what appears to the limitations taught by the Suh reference, the AESD section "**9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:**" (p. 5) states:

> 1) A method comprising: for each group of at least one assembling device, selecting a subgroup of fractional-storage ... servers according to at least one criterion, whereby a plurality of server subgroups are selected for a plurality of assembling device groups; **(page 9 Col 1 lines 40-56, page 9 Col 2 lines 30-41)** and retrieving ... from the subgroups of servers, erasure-coded fragments associated with segments of contents, until the aggregated bandwidth used for retrieving the fragments approaches the aggregated bandwidth of the servers included in the subgroups, and as long as the aggregated bandwidth used for delivering each segment does not exceed the aggregated bandwidth of the servers storing the fragments encoded from the segment **(page 2 Col 2 lines 13-40, page 4 Col 2 lines 22-29)**.

It appears that [given that all limitations are set forth followed by a citation] that the reference teaches claim 1 in its entirety.

However, according to section "**9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability**" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to independent claim 1, all of the references identified above ***fail to at least teach or suggest*** "... selecting a subgroup of fractional-storage CDN servers ... and retrieving using a fragment pull protocol ... erasure-coded fragments associated with segments of contents, until the aggregated bandwidth used for retrieving the fragments approaches the aggregated bandwidth of the servers included in the subgroups, and as long as the aggregated bandwidth used for delivering each segment does not exceed the aggregated bandwidth of the servers storing the fragments encoded from the segment".

Thus, the claim is seen to patentably distinguish over each of these references alone or in motivated combination.

It is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "*selecting a subgroup of fractional-storage ... servers according to at least one criterion, whereby a plurality of server subgroups are selected for a plurality of assembling device groups;*" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 9 Col 1 lines 40-56, page 9 Col 2 lines 30-41).

It is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "*retrieving using a fragment pull protocol ... erasure-coded fragments associated with segments of contents, until the aggregated bandwidth used for retrieving the fragments approaches the aggregated bandwidth of the servers included in the subgroups, and as long as the aggregated bandwidth used for delivering each segment does not exceed the aggregated bandwidth of the servers storing the fragments encoded from the segment;*" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 2 Col 2 lines 13-40, page 4 Col 2 lines 22-29).

Similar analysis is applicable for remaining claims 2-20.

Samples of an AE Support Document are available online at out website at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/.

Note in the AESD Sample online, the features relied upon for patentability set forth on section (9C) are **not** listed as being taught by a reference on section 9(B).

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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ACCELERATED EXAMINATION (AE) APPLICATION
DECISION ON PETITION ROUTING SLIP

Application No.: **12/579,044**
Art Unit : 2442

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☐ Granted ☐ Denied **X ☐ DISMISSED**

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X ☐ Copy Decision, Send to Scanning, Mail Decision
X ☐ Print mail coversheet
X ☐ Return Yellow Folder to the respective WQAS with Stamp date

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Serial No.: **12/579,044**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN4
Title: **METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR USING A DISTRIBUTED STORAGE TO ITS MAXIMUM BANDWIDTH**

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 10, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 30, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.2-6.3 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat

the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6.. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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In re Application of	:	
Kristian Dering et al	:	
Application No. 12/579,046	:	NOTICE ON REQUEST FOR REFUND
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	
Attorney Docket No. 52460-55US (M/KAEKO-017US)	:	

This is a Notice on the Request For Refund filed October 23, 2009.

Applicants states that, "On October 15, 2009, Applicants filed a Missing Parts with Preliminary Amendment and Substitute Specification through EFS. After filing this document we realized that the documents were accidentally filed in the wrong application and respectfully request a refund of such fees that were taken from the deposit account October 15, 2009."

A review of Office finance records for the above application indicates that the refund of the $130.00 fee was applied back to Applicant's deposit account no. 50-1017 on December 9, 2009.

Therefore, the request for refund has been **granted**.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

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Application No. 12/579,071	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No.**349437US2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/579,082	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 14, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No.**349462US2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Saint Victor	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/579,111	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: 10/14/2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. **29252/J-5163**	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 1/6/2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 6) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 7) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 8) The petition must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 9) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item(s) 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 510/470.000) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Tom Dunn at 571-272-1171.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 1796 for action in its regular turn.

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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

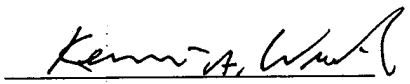
(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.



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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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Serial No.: **12/579,273**
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Atty Docket No: CDN5
Title: **MAXIMUM BANDWIDTH BROADCAST-LIKE STREAMS**

:: DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:
The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Zuckerman, Lee and Massoulie. Petitioner further indicated that:

"For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that eight (8) patent references and sixteen (16) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

Regarding claim 4, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Massoulie** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 8) states:

> 4) The system of claim 2, wherein the erasure-coding is rateless-coding (paragraph 43), and the assembling devices are configured to approximately randomly select the servers from which to obtain the fragments (paragraph 38).

However, according to section "**9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability**" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to dependent claim 4, all of the references identified above **fail** to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "erasure-coding" and "the assembling devices are configured to approximately randomly select the servers from which to obtain the fragments" with the patentable claim 2.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "erasure-coding" and "the assembling devices are configured to approximately randomly select the servers from which to obtain the fragments." and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 38).

Regarding claim 5, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Massoulie** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 8) states:

> 5) The system of claim 1, wherein the ... streaming contents comprise segments, and approximately each server is configured to store at least one fragment per each segment per each ... streaming content (paragraphs 24, 26) ...

However, according to section "**9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability**" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to dependent claim 5, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "the broadcast-like streaming contents comprise segments, and approximately each server is configured to store at least one fragment per each segment per each broadcast-like streaming content". Thus, the claim is seen to patentably distinguish over each of these references alone or in motivated combination.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "streaming contents comprise segments, and approximately each server is configured to store at least one fragment per each segment per each broadcast-like streaming content" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 38). Thus, this means the applied reference teaches streaming content *as defined by the claim*, however the reference does not denote this content as "broadcast-like"?

Regarding claim 18, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Lee** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 8) states:

> 18) A method comprising: retrieving, by assembling devices, from a plurality of fractional-storage CDN servers, using a fragment pull protocol, ... fragments (page 2 column 2 lines 1-16, page 2 column 2 lines 26-34) ...
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> balancing the servers using the fragment pull protocol; (page 12 column 1 lines 3-8) and
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> allowing additional assembling devices to retrieve fragments until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to retrieve the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers. (FIG. 11)

However, according to section "**9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability**" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to independent claim 18, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "retrieving, by assembling devices, from a plurality of fractional-storage CDN servers, using a fragment pull protocol, erasure-coded fragments associated with broadcast-like streams". Furthermore, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "*balancing the servers using the fragment pull protocol; and allowing additional assembling devices to retrieve fragments until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to retrieve the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers*". Thus, the claim is seen to patentably distinguish over each of these references alone or in motivated combination.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "balancing the servers using the fragment pull protocol; and allowing additional assembling devices to retrieve fragments until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to retrieve the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers"" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 12 column 1 lines 3-8 and Fig. 11).

It is noted that regarding claim 1, the following limitations taught by the respective applied, as set forth on the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:"

> 1) A system for broadcast-like streaming contents, comprising: a plurality of assembling devices, each assembling device configured to obtain, ...fragments from a plurality of fractional-storage ... servers, ... (Zuckerman paragraph 160)

1) A system ... comprising: a plurality of assembling devices, each assembling device configured to obtain, approximately simultaneously, ... fragments from a plurality of fractional-storage CDN servers (Lee page 2 column 2 lines 1-16, page 2 column 2 lines 26-34) ... ... wherein different mixtures of ... streaming contents can be obtained by the assembling devices until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to obtain the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers. (Lee FIG. 11)

1) A system ... comprising: a plurality of assembling devices, each assembling device configured to obtain, ... erasure-coded fragments from a plurality of fractional- storage ... servers (Massoulie paragraphs 2, 25) .

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 9) states:

With respect to independent claim 1, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "assembling device configured to obtain, approximately simultaneously, erasure-coded fragments from a plurality of fractional-storage CDN servers". Furthermore, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "different mixtures of broadcast-like streaming contents can be obtained by the assembling devices until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to obtain the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers". Thus, the claim is seen to patentably distinguish over each of these references alone or in **motivated combination.**

Hence, it is unclear as to whether or not the "motivated combination" of references teaches or not the claimed limitation(s): *assembling device configured to obtain, approximately simultaneously, erasure-coded fragments* (Massoulie paragraphs 2, 25) *from a plurality of fractional-storage CDN servers* (Lee page 2 column 2 lines 1-16, page 2 column 2 lines 26-34 and) *and wherein different mixtures of broadcast-like* (Zuckerman paragraph 160) *streaming contents can be obtained by the assembling devices until the aggregated bandwidth used by the assembling devices to obtain the fragments approaches the aggregated fragment delivery bandwidth capabilities of the servers.* (Lee Fig. 11).

Regarding claim 2 Massoulie teaches streaming contents comprising segments (paragraph 24). Yet, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 9) states "all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "broadcast-like streaming contents comprise segments". Thus, the claim is seen to patentably distinguish over each of these references alone or in motivated combination."

It remains unclear whether the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, which a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c), namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references is met. Specifically, how are the teachings of Massoulie with respect to claim 2, patentably distinguished over the reference alone, motivated combination.

Sections 9(B) and 9(C) should be reviewed in their entirety for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

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1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

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4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

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6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

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6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.4-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1 - 6.3** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Suh, Zuckerman and Lee. Petitioner further indicated that:

"For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that nine (9) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. §

1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the **limitations in the claims** that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

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1. For example, regarding **claim 3** and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 5) states:

   > **3)** The method of claim 1, wherein the erasure coding is rateless coding (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43), and requesting the first quantity of fragments comprises requesting at least some of the requests approximately simultaneously. (page 6 Col 1 lines 3-13)

   However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 11) states:

   > With respect to dependent **claim 3**, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of the "rateless coding" and "requesting the first quantity of fragments comprises requesting at least some of the requests approximately simultaneously" with the patentable claim 1.

2. Similar analysis is applicable for the teaching of **Suh** regarding **claims 6-7**, and **13**.

3. Furthermore, similar analysis is also applicable for the teachings of **Arnab** regarding **claim 8**.

Samples of an AE Support Document are available online at out website at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/.

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5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

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5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

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6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only five (5)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Suh, Lee, and Zuckerman. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that nine (9) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (5) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

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The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

Regarding claim 20, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Zuckerman** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 6) states:

> 20) The method of claim 16, wherein the fragments are requested approximately according to the order in which the content is presented (FIG. 15, FIG. 17), and the requests comprise an indication of the content associated with the fragments. (paragraph 37)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 9) states:

> With respect to dependent claim 20, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "fragments are requested approximately according to the order in which the content is presented" and "the requests comprise an indication of the content associated with the fragments" with the patentable claim 16.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "fragments are requested approximately according to the order in which the content is presented" and "the requests comprise an indication of the content associated with the fragments" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (Fig. 15, 17 and paragraph 37).

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

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Serial No.: **12/579,314**
Filed: October 14, 2009
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Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR AGGREGATING ERASURE-CODED FRAGMENTS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 28, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 30, 2009.

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Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/223**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

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3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

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An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

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A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application

will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

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1. For example, regarding claim 5, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 4) states:

   > Claim 5) The method of claim 4, further comprising reconstructing the segments and starting to present the streaming content while still requesting first set fragments associated with the streaming content. (page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26)

   However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 8) states:

   > With respect to dependent claim 5, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "reconstructing the segments and starting to present the streaming content while still requesting first set fragments associated with the streaming content" with the patentable claims 1 and 4.

   Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "the segments belong to streaming content, and the assembling device is located at a user premises and the servers are fractional-storage CDN servers" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 1 lines 5-17 and page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59 of the Suh reference and Figure 2 of the Lee reference).

2. Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 11**.

3. Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claims 7 and 18.**

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If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

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To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

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To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

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On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,337**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN9
Title: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR CONTROLLING THE RATE OF A PULL PROTOCOL

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Zuckerman, Lee and Suh. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that nine (9) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 28, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 30, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat

the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

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If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

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DECISION ON PETITION
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THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed December 09, 2009, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration must be filed within ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mail date of this decision, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). The petition for reconsideration should include an exhaustive attempt to provide the lacking item(s) noted below, since, after a decision on the petition for reconsideration, no further reconsideration or review of the matter will be undertaken by the Director.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must be classified in one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. 2) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 3) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 4) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 5) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The petition lacks item 1.

In regard to item 1, petitioner should note that this application has been classified in an area (USPC 340/641) that is not one of the eligible US classifications listed in section VI of the notice. Therefore, this application is not eligible for the Pilot Program. The classification limitations are purposefully made to be narrow for the Pilot Program; however, these may be expanded based upon the success of the Pilot Program. Petitioner may file a preliminary amendment that would cause this application to be classified elsewhere. However, while petitioner may suggest a classification (see, e.g., MPEP 708.02(a)(VII)(C)), the application will be assigned to the most appropriate classification based upon current U.S. classification guidelines. Furthermore, a petition for the Pilot Program should not be filed until and unless all of the requirements set forth in the Notice are met; i.e., a petition should not be filed for an application that is currently classified outside the eligible classifications set forth in the Notice.

Any reconsideration of this decision should be submitted through the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of "Petition for Green Tech Pilot" on the EFS-Web screen.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2612 for action in its regular turn.

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This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed 06/01/10, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

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The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2612 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,355**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN11
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR REQUESTING FRAGMENTS WITHOUT SPECIFYING THE SOURCE ADDRESS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
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2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

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5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Suh, Lee and CleverSafe. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that ten (10) patent references and fourteen (14) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 8, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 6) states:

> 8) The method of claim 1, further comprising identifying potential fractional-storage servers which store fragments relevant to the requirement, from which the fractional-storage servers that together meet the requirement are selected. (page 9 Col 1 lines 40-56, page 9 Col 2 lines 30-41)

However, according to section "**9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability**" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to dependent claim 8, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "identifying potential fractional-storage servers which store fragments relevant to the requirement, from which the fractional-storage servers that together meet the requirement are selected" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "*identifying potential fractional-storage servers which store fragments relevant to the requirement, from which the fractional-storage servers that together meet the requirement are selected*" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 9 Col 1 lines 40-56, page 9 Col 2 lines 30-41).

2. Similar analysis is applicable for the teaching of **Lee** regarding **claim 16**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 28, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 30, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/223**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application

will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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Serial No.: **12/579,375**
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Title: INTERNET BACKBONE SERVERS WITH EDGE COMPENSATION

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Suh, Mitchell and Massoulie. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that eight (8) patent references and sixteen (16) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

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This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

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The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 3, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" (p. 4) states:

> Claim 3) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the assembling device is located at the user premises (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" (p. 10) states:

> With respect to dependent claim 3, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling device is located at the user premises" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "wherein the assembling device is located at the user premises" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59).

2. Similar analysis is applicable for the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claims 5,** and **15.**

3. Similar analysis is applicable for the teachings of **Massoulie** regarding claims **3, 5,** and **15.**

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,375**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN12
Title: INTERNET BACKBONE SERVERS WITH EDGE COMPENSATION

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on November 28, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on October 30, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/226**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

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will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
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II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

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2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

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5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

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6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (2)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, Zuckerman and Massoulie. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that eight (8) patent references and seventeen (17) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the two (2) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing **two** separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 6, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Massoulie** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 6) The method of claim 1, wherein the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor. (paragraph 43)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 6, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "rateless-coding" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "wherein the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (paragraph 43).

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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Title: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR OBTAINING A BROADCAST-LIKE STREAMING CONTENT

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Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that eight (8) patent references and sixteen (16) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

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The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 9, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Zuckerman** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 9) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the assembling device is configured to obtain the fragments using a fragment pull protocol (FIG. 22, paragraphs 219)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 9, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling device is configured to obtain the fragments using a fragment pull protocol" with the patentable claim 8.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "the assembling device is configured to obtain the fragments using a fragment pull protocol" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (Fig. 22, paragraph 219).

Similar analysis is applicable for the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding claim 16, the teachings of **Massoulie** regarding claims **7** and **12** and the teachings of **Suh** regarding the claims **7,** and **12-13** and **19.**

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty)

days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,384**
Filed: October 14, 2009
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Title: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR OBTAINING A BROADCAST-LIKE STREAMING CONTENT

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 03, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

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the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

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For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
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7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh. Lee and CleverSafe**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that ten (10) patent references and fourteen (14) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

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The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 4, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Lee** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 4) The streaming system of claim 1, wherein the assembling servers are configured to operate a pull protocol to obtain the fragments from the fractional-storage CDN servers, (page 6 column 2 lines 11-30, Figure 8) operate a streaming protocol to stream the reconstructed segments to the client devices, and start streaming while obtaining the fragments. (page 2 column 1 lines 8-31)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 4, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling servers are configured to operate a pull protocol to obtain the fragments from the fractional-storage CDN servers" and "operate a streaming protocol to stream the reconstructed segments to the client devices" and "start streaming while obtaining the fragments" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "the assembling servers are configured to operate a pull protocol to obtain the fragments from the fractional-storage CDN servers" and "operate a streaming protocol to stream the reconstructed segments to the client devices" and "start streaming while obtaining the fragments" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 2 column 1 lines 8-31).

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

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The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/219**.

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10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,391**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN16
Title: FAST RETRIEVAL AND PROGRESSIVE RETRANSMISSION OF CONTENT

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Lee, Arnab and CleverSafe**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that ten (10) patent references and fourteen (14) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the three (3) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 4, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Arnab** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 4) The method of claim 1, further comprising the client device interacting with the assembling server as if the assembling server had stored the content file locally; and the assembling server converting the interactions with the client device into corresponding interactions with the fractional-storage CDN servers. (page 3 column 2 lines 21-50, figure 3)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 4, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the client device interacting with the assembling server as if the assembling server had stored the content file locally" and "the assembling server converting the interactions with the client device into corresponding interactions with the fractional-storage CDN servers" with the patentable claim 1

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches ""the client device interacting with the assembling server as if the assembling server had stored the content file locally" and "the assembling server converting the interactions with the client device into corresponding interactions with the fractional-storage CDN servers" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 3 column 2 lines 21-50, Figure 3).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Arnab** regarding **claim 5, 12** and **19**. Note that regarding the teachings of Arnab with respect to **claim 8,** this claim language does not pertain to claim 8 as filed.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,391**
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Title: FAST RETRIEVAL AND PROGRESSIVE RETRANSMISSION OF CONTENT

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 3, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
   If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat

the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only two (2)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh and Zuckerman**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that nine (9) patent references and sixteen (16) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the two (2) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

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The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:

ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 20, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 20) The system of claim 15, wherein the assembling device utilizes sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments. (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 20, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling device utilizes sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments" with the patentable claim 15.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "assembling device utilizes sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claim 16**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,396**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN17
Title: RECEIVING STREAMING CONTENT FROM SERVERS LOCATED AROUND THE GLOBE

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,403**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN18
Title: LARGE SCALE DISTRIBUTED CONTENT DELIVERY NETWORK

:: DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:
The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

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6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only two (2)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh and CleverSafe**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that ten (10) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the two (2) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 4, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 4) The system of claim 1, wherein the servers transmit the stored fragments via at least two sub-transmissions. (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 4, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the servers transmit the stored fragments via at least two sub-transmissions" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "a the servers transmit the stored fragments via at least two sub-transmissions " and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claims 5-6, 10, and 14**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **CleverSafe** regarding **claim 4**, and **14**.

Regarding the teachings of **CleverSafe** regarding **claim 16**, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states: A system comprising at least 1,000 fractional-storage CDN servers connected to the public Internet; (page 9 lines 18-21, page 12. However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states: With respect to independent claim 16, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest "A system comprising at least 1,000 fractional-storage CDN servers connected to the public Internet".

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches the above limitation of claim 16 and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,408**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN19
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS COMBINING PUSH AND PULL PROTOCOL

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 14, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

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Hence, it appears that Petitioner intends that eight (8) patent references and fifteen (15) non-patent literature references are references ***not deemed*** to be closely related to the subject matter of the claims and that the four (4) references further discussed on the sections 9(A) and 9(B) are reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims.

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> Claim 17) The system of claim 12, wherein at least two streaming servers synchronously push fragments to each assembling device. (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 17, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "at least two streaming servers synchronously push fragments to each assembling device" with the patentable claim 12

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches " wherein at least two streaming servers synchronously push fragments to each assembling device" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Lee** regarding **claims 6, 9, and 17**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Diot** regarding **claim 7**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date

of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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Serial No.: **12/579,408**
Filed: October 14, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN19
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS COMBINING PUSH AND PULL PROTOCOL

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 14, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 3, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/223**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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In re Application of	:
Shen and Tang	: DECISION REFUSING STATUS
Application Number: 12/579579	: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Filing Date: 10/15/2009	:
Attorney Docket Number: 250127-1420	:

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed on October 15, 2009.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Rule 47 applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the mailing date of this decision to reply, correcting the below-noted deficiencies. Any reply should be entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," and should only address the deficiencies noted below, except that the reply may include an oath or declaration executed by the non-signing inventor. **FAILURE TO RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT OF THE APPLICATION.** Extensions of time may be obtained in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The above-identified application was filed on October 15, 2009, with a declaration naming Fu-Chin Shen and Chia-Hsien Tang as joint inventors, signed by inventor Shen and by Wei-Chen Chien on behalf of inventor Tang. The subject petition was also filed on October 15, 2009.

Petitioners assert, via the declaration of Wei-Chen Chien, Robert Chen, and Vera Tsao, that a copy of the application and declaration was sent to the non-signing inventor, Chai Hsien Tang, but that during a telephone conversation with Mr. Chen, the non-signing inventor stated he was unwilling to sign the declaration. A copy of the cover letter transmitting the application papers to the non-signing inventor was also enclosed.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires:

(1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or located, notwithstanding diligent effort, or refuses to sign the

oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings);

(2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116;

(3) the petition fee;

(4) a surcharge of $130 or $65 (small entity) if the petition and/or declaration is not filed at the time of filing the application, and

(5) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventors.

The petition lacks item (2).

In regards to item (2), the Declaration filed with the subject petition is defective in that another individual has signed in the signature block for the non-signing inventor.

If at least one inventor has signed the declaration, the declaration is acceptable if all of the signing inventors sign in their respective signature blocks and the signature block of the non-signing inventor is left blank or all the signing inventors sign a statement saying that they are signing on behalf of the non-signing inventor. It is not acceptable for another individual to sign the declaration on behalf of the non-signing inventor if at least one inventor has signed the declaration.

It is noted that on October 26, 2009, a new declaration was filed signed by inventor Shen on behalf of himself and non-signing inventor Tang.

However, neither declaration is acceptable because they does not state the duty of the applicant to disclosure information material to patentability in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a). As noted in the *Official Gazette* notice of January 22, 2008:[1]

> 37 CFR 1.63(b)(3) requires persons making an oath or declaration to state that they acknowledge their duty to disclose to the Office all information known to the person to be "material to patentability as defined in § 1.56." This language is incorporated in: 37 CFR 1.153, which sets forth the requirements for an oath or declaration in a design application; 37 CFR 1.162, which sets forth the requirements for an oath or declaration in plant patent applications; and 37 CFR

[1] See 1327 O.G. 112.

1.175 which sets forth the requirements for an oath or declaration in a reissue application.

A new declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, signed by the signing inventor in the correct signature block, as signing on behalf of himself and the non-signing inventor, should be filed with any renewed petition. Petitioners may wish to use the attached form when submitting a new oath or declaration.

It is further noted that although $130.00 was submitted as the petition fee, the fee for a petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is currently $200.00. The balance due will be charged to counsel's deposit account as authorized in the present petition.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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Serial No.: **12/579,662**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN22
Title: FAULT TOLERANCE IN A DISTRIBUTED STREAMING SYSTEM

:: DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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> Claim 7) The distributed system of claim 2, wherein the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor ... (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 7, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor" with the patentable claims 1 and 2.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches " the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor " and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 10, 13, 15-16 and 18**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claims 6, 18** and **20** and regarding the teachings of **Lee claim 14**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
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Title: FAULT TOLERANCE IN A DISTRIBUTED STREAMING SYSTEM

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 4, 2009.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,724**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN20
Title: OBTAINING ERASURE-CODED FRAGMENTS USING PUSH AND PULL PROTOCOLS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only four (4)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Lee, Zuckerman and Diot**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 9 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 9) The method of claim 1, wherein the erasure-coded fragments are rateless-coded fragments associated with segments of streaming content (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43), and the ... rateless-coded fragments is transmitted according to the sequential order of the segments. (page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 9, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the erasure-coded fragments are rateless-coded fragments associated with segments of streaming content" and "the first set of rateless-coded fragments is transmitted according to the sequential order of the segments" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches "the erasure-coded fragments are rateless-coded fragments associated with segments of streaming content" and "the first set of rateless-coded fragments is transmitted according to the sequential order of the segments" and/or, *what feature(s) of the claim limitation are not taught, suggested or non-obvious alone or in combination* over the cited portion of the reference (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43 and page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claims 10 and 17-19**.

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Lee** regarding **claims 2-4, 7, 10, 16-17 and 19**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Diot** regarding **claims 2, 10 and 16-19**.

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For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

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This is a notice regarding your request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28. On September 1, 1998, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that 37 CFR 1.28(c) is the sole provision governing the time for correction of the erroneous payment of the issue fee as a small entity. **See DH Technology v. Synergystex International, Inc. 154 F.3d 1333, 47 USPQ2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. Sept. 1, 1998).**

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. **1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989)**. Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **NOT ACCEPTED**.

37 CFR 1.28(c) 2 (ii) states:

> (ii) *Itemization of the deficiency payment.* An itemization of the total deficiency payment is required. The itemization must include the following information:
>
> > (A) Each particular type of fee that was erroneously paid as a small entity, (*e.g.*, basic statutory filing fee, two-month extension of time fee) along with the current fee amount for a non-small entity;

(B) The small entity fee actually paid, and when. This will permit the Office to differentiate, for example, between two one-month extension of time fees erroneously paid as a small entity but on different dates;
(C) The deficiency owed amount (for each fee erroneously paid); and
(D) The total deficiency payment owed, which is the sum or total of the individual deficiency owed amounts set forth in paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(C) of this section.

Inquiries related to this communication should be directed to the Michelle R. Eason at (571) 272-4231.

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In re Application of	:	
Kinya TAKAGAKI et al.	:	
Application No. 12/579,725	:	NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR. 1.28(c)
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This is a notice regarding your renewed request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28.

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Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. Accordingly, all future fees paid in this application must be paid at the large entity rate.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,774**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN27
Title: REDUCTION OF PEAK-TO-AVERAGE TRAFFIC RATIO IN DISTRIBUTED STREAMING SYSTEMS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only two (2)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh and Zuckerman**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 9 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 9) The streaming system of claim 7, wherein the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments, and the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity. (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 9, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments" and "the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination" wherein the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments, and the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claims 11-12, 19**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claims 8, and 18**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,774**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN27
Title: REDUCTION OF PEAK-TO-AVERAGE TRAFFIC RATIO IN DISTRIBUTED STREAMING SYSTEMS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 3, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/226**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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Serial No.: **12/579,817**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN24
Title: BALANCING A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM BY REPLACING OVERLOADED SERVERS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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The preexamination search must:

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6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

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6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Zuckerman, Lee and Suh.** Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed **most closely related** to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed **not closely related** to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all

the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 12 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 12) The method of claim 11, wherein the algorithm comprises approximately random selection of the replacement server, (page 11 Col 1 lines 31-43) and the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity. (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 12, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the algorithm comprises approximately random selection of the replacement server" and "the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" with the patentable claim 11.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the algorithm comprises approximately random selection of the replacement server and the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43 and page 11 Col 1 lines 31-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 17**.

Furthermore, similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claims 14 and 15**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,817**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN24
Title: BALANCING A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM BY REPLACING OVERLOADED SERVERS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 3, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/226**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

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4. Time for Reply:
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5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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In re Application of: SHORT, J. et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,820**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: NOMDX.039C1
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHOD FOR DYNAMIC BANDWIDTH MANAGEMENT ON A PER SUBSCRIBER BASIS IN A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty

or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include

where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.1, 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference **specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference.**

Regarding the Identification of Limitations of the Claims Disclosed by the Cited References statement, the AESD although identifies all of the limitations of the claimed invention, however fails to disclosed which **are taught** by the reference and where in the cited references are the limitations of the claim taught, in accordance with this requirement.

For example, when discussing the Carr references, the identified limitations of the claim have a corresponding "well known" indication instead of setting forth where in the cited references are the limitations of the claim taught, namely, specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference. Applicants should specify where in each of the cited references the particular claim limitations are found in the form, for example of: page X, lines Y-Z, or column, X, lines Y-Z or Fig. X, element Y, etc.

The AESD, "well known" is unclear as to where the reference teaches or not the corresponding claim limitation, and if it does teach the claimed limitation where in the cited reference can this be found. A Sample AESD is available at our web site:

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For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 17, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
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Atty Docket No: CDN25
Title: LATENCY BASED SELECTION OF FRACTIONAL-STORAGE SERVERS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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The preexamination search must:

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An accelerated examination support document must include:

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6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only two (2)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Zuckerman, and Mitchell**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable

with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 18, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Zuckerman** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 18) The system of claim 17, wherein each assembling device is configured to match itself with the servers having relatively low latencies. (paragraph 78, 83)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 18, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "each assembling device is configured to match itself with the servers having relatively low latencies" with the patentable claim 17.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "each assembling device is configured to match itself with the servers having relatively low latencies" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (paragraph 78, 83).

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,858**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN25
Title: LATENCY BASED SELECTION OF FRACTIONAL-STORAGE SERVERS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 01, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 3, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application, a search in the following field(s) is/are deemed applicable class(es)/subclasses (since the application has been classified therein) should be included in any future search performed by applicant to provide full coverage of where the most pertinent references are most likely to be found: **709/226**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:

If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference.

Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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In re Application of :
Erdem Hokenek et al. :
Application No. 12/579,867 :
Filed: October 15, 2009 : ON PETITION
Atty Docket No. 18164046 :

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed November 24, 2009.

The petition is **DISMISSED** as involving moot issues.

Upon application and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d), petitioner has submitted a copy of the executed oath or declaration from parent application no. 11/096,917, filed April 1, 2005, of which the instant application is a continuation. As well, a petition to accord status under 37 CFR 1.47 was filed in the parent application as not all of the joint inventors had executed the oath or declaration. As it was sufficiently shown that joint inventor Erdman Hokenek refused to join in with the filing of that application, the petition filed January 23, 2006 was granted in a decision mailed March 3, 2006. Furthermore, a copy of the decision, mailed March 3, 2006, granting a petition to accord § 1.47(a) status to the prior application has been placed in the file of the present application.

As Rule 1.47(a) status was granted in the prior application, this application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As no petition is necessary to accord Rule 1.47(a) status in this application, the petition is dismissed as involving moot issues. As no petition fee is necessary, deposit account no. 50-1358 has been credited in the amount of $200.00.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), since notice was provided after the grant of Rule 1.47(a) status in the prior application, the Office is dispensing with the notice provision in this divisional application.

After this decision is mailed, the matter will be referred to the Office of Patent Application Processing for further pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,904**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN30
Title: TERMINATION OF FRAGMENT DELIVERY SERVICES FROM DATA CENTERS PARTICIPATING IN DISTRIBUTED STREAMING OPERATIONS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

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where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only four (4)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, Arnab and CleverSafe**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all

the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 10, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 10) The ... system of claim 2, wherein the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments from the servers, (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28) the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity, (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43) and further comprising a managing server configured to select the servers to deliver the sub-transmissions. (page 9 Col 1 lines 23-39)

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 10, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments from the servers" and "the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" and "a managing server configured to select the servers to deliver the sub-transmissions" with the patentable claims 1 and 2.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination ""the assembling devices are configured to use sub-transmissions to obtain the fragments from the servers" and "the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" and "a managing server configured to select the servers to deliver the sub-transmissions " and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28; page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43; page 9 Col 1 lines 23-39).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of Suh regarding **claim 9**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

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Application No. 12/579,926
Filed: October 15, 2009
Attorney Docket No. **SUTOSH.485AUS**

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed May 21, 2010 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
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(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Kenneth Wieder at 571-272-2986.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/579,954**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN10
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR DISTRIBUTING PULL PROTOCOL REQUESTS VIA A RELAY SERVER

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This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

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6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, and Lee**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 5, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 5) The method of claim 1, wherein the assembling device is located at a user premises (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59) and the fragments are erasure-coded fragments. (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 5, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of the "assembling device is located at a user premises" and "fractional-storage servers are fractional-storage CDN servers" and "the fragments are erasure-coded fragments" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "assembling device is located at a user premises" and "fractional-storage servers are fractional-storage CDN servers" and "the fragments are erasure-coded fragments " and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59 and page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Lee** regarding **claim 8**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However,

due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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Application No.: **12/579,954**
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☐ Granted ☐ Denied X ☐ **DISMISSED**

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5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

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REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, and Massoulie**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

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The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

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Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 9, and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 9) The system of claim 1, wherein the bandwidth amplification devices are located at the user premises, and the erasure-coding is rateless-coding (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59, page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 9, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the bandwidth amplification devices are located at the user premises" and "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" with the patentable claim.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the bandwidth amplification devices are located at the user premises" and "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 3 Col 1 lines 44-59, page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 20;** Zuckerman, same analysis is applicable to **claim 6, 16 and 19;** and **Massoulie claim 8** and **20.**

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However,

due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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☐ Granted ☐ Denied X ☐ **DISMISSED**

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,016**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN33
Title: HYBRID DISTRIBUTED STREAMING SYSTEM COMPRISING HIGH-BANDWIDTH SERVERS AND PEER-TO-PEER DEVICES

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 07, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 9, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after

a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference. Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al :
Application No. 12/580,037 :
Filed: October 15, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349457US2SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 15, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **DISMISSED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition is deficient as follows:

Petitioner has not complied with item 3 above.

Regarding item 3, all the claims in the US application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claims in the JPO application. In this instant US application, the petition provides a correspondence table that indicates claim 1 of US application corresponds to claim 1 of the JPO application. Claim 1, filed simultaneously with the petition on 10/15/09, does sufficiently correspond to claim 1 of JPO application 2009-173193. However, claim 1 provided in the communication filed by the applicant on 01/05/10 appears to be substantially identical to claim 2 of the JPO application. It is unclear if claim 1, or claim 2, or both claims are intended to be presented for examination under PPH. Clarification is required.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

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DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the renewed request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed February 18, 2010 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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The request to participate in the PPH program and petition now comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Serial No.: **12/580,058**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN32
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR BANDWIDTH AMPLIFICATION USING REPLICATED FRAGMENTSS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

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Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 10 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 10) The system of claim 6, further comprising assembling devices configured to obtain the stored fragments using sub-transmissions. (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 10, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "assembling devices configured to obtain the stored fragments using sub-transmissions" with the patentable claim 6.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination " assembling devices configured to obtain the stored fragments using sub-transmissions" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 2 lines 16-21, page 6 Col 1 lines 15-28).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 20.**

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However,

due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,058**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN32
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR BANDWIDTH AMPLIFICATION USING REPLICATED FRAGMENTSS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 07, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 9, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP 812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention

defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):
Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference. Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition.

If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Beatriz Prieto, Quality Assurance Specialist, at (571) 272-3902. A second point of Contact is Kim Huynh at (571)-272-4147.

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Attorney Docket No. **349332US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Attorney Docket No. **349362US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

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The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

The application is undergoing pre-examination processing. Once it is released for examination, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,104**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN29
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR CONTROLLING LOAD ON SHARED LINKS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, and CleverSafe**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

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The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 17 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 17) The system of claim 16, wherein the segments are approximately sequential segments of streaming contents, (page 4 Col 1 lines 5-17), the fragments are transmitted approximately according to the sequential order of the segments (page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26) and the erasure-coding is rateless-coding (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 17, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the segments are approximately sequential segments of streaming contents, and the fragments are transmitted approximately according to the sequential order of the segments" and "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" with the patentable claim 16.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the segments are approximately sequential segments of streaming contents, and the fragments are transmitted approximately according to the sequential order of the segments" and "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 4 Col 1 lines 5-17, page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26 and page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Zuckerman** regarding **claim 13.**

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date

of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,104**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN29
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR CONTROLLING LOAD ON SHARED LINKS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 07, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 9, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application a search in the following field(s) where the application has been classified is recommended should applicant perform any future search: **709/223**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

1. The application will be docketed to an examiner and taken up for action within two weeks of the date of this decision.

2. Restriction Practice:
If the examiner determines that the claims are not directed to a single invention, a telephone request to elect one single invention will be made pursuant to MPEP

812.01. As a prerequisite to the grant of this petition, the applicant has agreed to make an oral election, by telephone, without traverse. If the applicant refuses to make an election without traverse, or the examiner cannot reach the applicant after a reasonable effort, the examiner will treat the first claimed invention (invention defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
If it is determined that, after appropriate consultation, there is a potential rejection or any other issue to be addressed, the examiner will telephone the applicant and arrange an interview to discuss and resolve the issue. An Office action, other than a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (Notice of Allowance), will not be issued unless either: 1) an interview was conducted but did not result in agreed to action that places the application in condition for allowance, or, 2) a determination is made that an interview would be unlikely to result in the application being placed in condition for allowance, and 3) an internal conference has been held to review any rejection of any claim.

4. Time for Reply:
An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

6. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS):

Any IDS filed during prosecution must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web, accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document, and be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

7. Post-Allowance Processing:
To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference. Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition. If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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: DECISION ON REQUEST TO
: PARTICIPATE IN THE PATENT
: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
: PROGRAM AND PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 16 June 2010, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

Discussion

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

1. The U.S. application is

    a. a Paris Convention application which either
        i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
    b. a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
        iii. contains no priority claim, or
    c. a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application
        i. validly claims priority to an application filed in the JPO, or
        ii. validly claims priority to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or

iii. contains no priority claim;

2. Applicant must submit a copy of:
   a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s);
   b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s) and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
3. Applicant must:
   a. Ensure all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s) and
   b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;
4. Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
5. Applicant must submit:
   a. Documentation of prior office action:
      i. a copy of the office action(s) just prior to the "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) or
      ii. if the allowable/patentable claims(s) are from a "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" then the Notification of Reasons for Refusal or
      iii. if the JPO application is a first action allowance then no office action from the JPO is necessary should be indicated on the request/petition form;
   b. An English language translation of the JPO Office action from (5)(a)(i)-(ii) above
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate;
6. Applicant must submit:
   a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action (unless already submitted in this application)
   b. Copies of the documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already submitted in this application);

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc.index.html.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,129**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN28
Title: SOURCE-SELECTION BASED INTERNET BACKBONE TRAFFIC SHAPING

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

3. include a statement that applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephone interview.

4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, and Mitchell**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION FAQs (http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/accelerated/)

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 5 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 5) The content delivery system of claim 1, wherein the assembling devices are configured to obtain a decodable number of the fragments from the sub-sets of the servers, and are further configured to decode the fragments. (page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26) and the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity. (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 5, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the assembling devices are configured to obtain a decodable number of the fragments from the sub-sets of the servers, and are further configured to decode the fragments" and "the erasure-coded fragments support source-selection diversity" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the segments are approximately sequential segments of streaming contents, and the fragments are transmitted approximately according to the sequential order of the segments" and "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage (page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26 page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 6, 7, 13;** and **Zuckerman regarding** claim 8

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty)

days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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Based upon the claimed subject matter of the instant application a search in the following field(s) where the application has been classified is recommended should applicant perform any future search: **709/226**.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,166**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN26
Title: RANDOM SERVER SELECTION FOR RETREIVING FRAGMENTS UNDER CHANGING NETWORK CONDITIONS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

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5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

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6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Zuckerman, and Massoulie**. Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 3 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 3) The method of claim 1, wherein the erasure-coding is rateless-coding potentially resulting in fragments having a limitless redundancy factor. (page 5 Col 2 lines 30-43).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 3, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "erasure-coding is rateless-coding" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the erasure-coding is rateless-coding" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage above mentioned.

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claims 4, 5, 6, 12; Zuckerman** regarding **claims 9, 14, 16, 18** and Massoulie regarding **claims 3, 6, and 11**.

Petitioner is encouraged to review all other sections of both 9(B) and 9(C) sections for similar inconsistencies.

For the above-stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**. The application will therefore be taken up by the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Petitioner is given a single opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within 1 (one) month or 30 (thirty) days, whichever is longer, (no extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)) from the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. Any request for reconsideration must address the deficiencies indicated above.

Petitioner is reminded that, upon granting of the special status of the application on request for reconsideration, the application will be processed expeditiously. However, due to the dismissal of the instant petition, examination may not be completed within twelve months of the filing date of the application.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Kim Huynh, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-4147.

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Serial No.: **12/580,181**
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REGULATION AND PRACTICE

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The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

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Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS CAPABLE OF SWITCHING FROM PULL MODE TO PUSH MODE

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed on December 07, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d). The original petition, submitted upon filing of the application on October 15, 2009 was dismissed in the decision mailed on November 9, 2009.

The petition to make the application special is **GRANTED** as the revised Examination Support Document meets the requirements of conditions II 6.1-6.2 that were deficient in the original petition.

The application is eligible for accelerated examination and the renewed petition complies with the conditions for granting the application special status pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published June 26, 2006, in the Federal Register. (71 Fed. Reg. 36323).

The prosecution of the instant application will be conducted expeditiously according to the following guidelines.

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defined by claim 1) as having being constructively elected without traverse for examination.

3. Office action:
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An Office action other than a Notice of Allowance or a final Office action will set a shortened statutory period of one month or thirty days, whichever is longer, for reply with no extension of time available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely file a reply within this non-extendible period for reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

5. Reply by Applicant:
A timely reply to an Office action other than the Notice of Allowance must be submitted electronically via EFS or EFS-web and limited to addressing the rejections, objections and requirement made. Any amendment that attempts to: 1) add claims which would result in more than three pending independent claims or more than twenty pending total claims; 2) present claims not encompassed by the pre-examination search or an updated accelerated examination support document; or 3) present claims that are directed a non-elected invention or an invention other than that previously claimed and examined in the application, will be treated as not fully responsive and will not be entered.

For any amendment to the claims (including any new claim) that is not encompassed by the accelerated examination support document, applicant must provide an updated accelerated examination support document that encompasses the amended or new claims at the time of filing of the amendment.

To proceed expeditiously with the examination, it is recommended that a reply with amendments made to any claim or with any new claim being added be accompanied by an updated accelerated examination support document or a statement explaining how the amended or new claim is supported by the original accelerated examination support document.

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To expedite processing of the allowed application into a patent, the applicant must: 1) pay the required fees within one month of the date of the Notice of Allowance, and 2) not file any post allowance papers not required by the Office. In no event may the issue fee be paid and accepted later than three months from the date of the Notice of Allowance.

8. After-Final and Appeal Procedures:
To expedite prosecution, after receiving the final Office action, applicant must: 1) promptly file a notice of appeal, an appeal brief and appeal fees; and 2) not request a pre-appeal brief conference. Any amendment, affidavit or other evidence filed after final Office action must comply with applicable rules and the requirements outlined in numbered paragraphs 5 and 6 above. On appeal, the application will proceed according to normal appeal procedures. After appeal, the application will again be treated special.

9. Proceedings Outside the Normal Examination Process:
If the application becomes involved in a proceeding that is outside the normal examination process (e.g., a secrecy order, national security review, interference proceeding, petitions under 37 CFR 1.181, 182 or 183), the application will be treated special before and after such proceeding.

10. Final Disposition:
The twelve month goal of this accelerated examination procedure ends with a final disposition. The mailing of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, the filing of a Notice of Appeal, or the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is the final disposition. If, during prosecution, a paper is not filed electronically using EFS-web, a reply is filed but is not fully responsive, the application is involved in an appeal, or a proceeding outside normal examination process, the application will still be examined expeditiously, however, the final disposition may occur more than twelve months from the filing of the application.

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

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3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,200**
Filed: October 15, 2009
Atty Docket No: CDN23
Title: LOAD-BALANCING AN ASYMMETRICAL DISTRIBUTED ERASURE-CODED SYSTEM

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

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In re Application of: ZUCKERMAN, Gal et. al.
Serial No.: **12/580,205**
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Atty Docket No: CDN31
Title: ADAPTATION OF DATA CENTERS' BANDWIDTH CONTRIBUTION TO DISTRIBUTED STREAMING OPERATIONS

DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 & M.P.E.P. § 708.02

This is a decision on the petition filed on October 15, 2009 to make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d).

The petition to make the application special is **DISMISSED**.

REGULATION AND PRACTICE

A grantable petition to make special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and pursuant to the "Change to Practice for Petitions in Patent Applications to Make Special and for Accelerated Examination" published in the Federal Register on June 26, 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 36323), must satisfy the following conditions:

I. Conditions Regarding the Application:

1. the application must be a non-reissue utility or design application filed under 37 CFR 1.111(a);
2. the application, the petition and the required fees must be filed electronically using the USPTO's electronic filing system (EFS), or EFS-web; if not filed electronically, a statement asserting that EFS and EFS-web were not available during the normal business hours.
3. at the time of filing, the application must be complete under 37 CFR 1.51 and in condition for examination;
4. the application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims and the claims must be directed to a single invention.

II. Conditions Regarding the Petition:

The petition must:

1. be filed with the application;

2. include a statement that applicant agrees not to separately argue the patentability of any dependent claim during any appeal in the application;

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4. include a statement that applicant agrees to conduct such an interview when requested by the examiner.

5. include a statement, made based on a good faith belief, that a preexamination search in compliance with the following requirements, was conducted, including an identification of the filed of search by United States class and subclass, where applicable, and for database searches, the search logic or chemical structure or sequence used as a query, the name of the file(s) searched and the database service, and the date of the search.

The preexamination search must:

5.1 involve U.S. patents and patent application publications, foreign patent documents, and non-patent literature, unless the applicant can justify with reasonable certainty that no references more pertinent than those already identified are likely to be found in the eliminated sources and includes such a justification with this statement;

5.2. be directed to the claimed invention and encompass all of the features of the claims, giving the claims the broadest reasonable interpretation;

5.3. encompass the disclosed features that may be claimed.

6. must provide in support of the petition an accelerated examination support document.

An accelerated examination support document must include:

6.1. an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims;

6.2. an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference;

6.3. a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable over the references cited with particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c);

6.4. a concise statement of the utility of the invention as defined in each of the independent claims (unless the application is a design application);

6.5. a showing of where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in the written description of the specification. If applicable, the showing must also identify: (1) each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; and (2) the structure, material, or acts in the specification that corresponds to each means- (or step) plus-function claim element that invokes consideration under 35 UDC 112, sixth paragraph; if the application claims the benefit of one or more applications under title 35, United States Code, the showing must also include where each limitation of the claims finds support under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, in each such application in which such supports exists;

6.6. an identification of any cited references that may be disqualified under 35 USC 103(c).

REVIEW OF FACTS

The conditions **I. 1-4, II. 1 – 5, 5.1 – 5.3, II. 6.3-6.6** above are considered to have been met. However, the petition fails to comply with conditions **II 6.1-6.2** above. Therefore, the petition fails to meet the required conditions to be accorded special status under the accelerated examination procedure.

Regarding to the requirement of MPEP 708.02(a) (I) (1) and item II. 6.1 above, an accelerated examination support document must include: an information disclosure statement (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims.

More specifically, IDS filed with petition consisting of two sets of PTO/SB/08b; one set lists **ten (10)** patent references, and the second set lists **seventeen (17)** non-patent literature references. ***Only three (3)*** of the references are discussed on section: "9(A) References Deemed Most Closely Related:" and "9(B) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" namely, **Suh, Arnab, and CleverSafe.** Petitioner further indicated that: "For completeness, the IDS also include other references that may be related, but are not deemed most closely related."

If applicant wishes to cite references that are **not** required in an AESD for the examiner to consider, applicant may submit such references in a **separate IDS** in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98. Applicant should **clearly identify** the IDS of the AESD that is **in support** of the petition to make special and, similarly, applicant should clearly identify the separate IDS that is **not in support** of the petition.

The AESD is insufficient for *lack of identification and explanation* of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Correction is required.

This deficiency may be corrected by simply filing two separate Information Disclosure Statements (IDS), in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 one citing each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter of each of the claims and another citing references deemed not closely related to the subject matter of the claims. Identification as to which IDS is (or not) in support of the petition filed make the above-identified application special for accelerated examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) can be made on the PTO/SB/08A form or on an associated transmittal letter with each IDS. These deficiencies are discussed in a FAQ document:
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Regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a) (I) (I) (2-3) and item II 6.2, the accelerated examination support document (AESD) must include: an identification of all the limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference specifying where the limitation is disclosed in the cited reference,

Further, regarding to the requirement of MPEP §708.02(a)(I)(2-3) and item II 6.3 above, the AESD requires a detailed explanation of how each of the claims are patentable with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c). Namely, point out the specific *distinctions* believed to render the claims, patentable over any applied references.

The AESD's section 9(C) "Statement of Patentability" appears to contradict the section 9(B) "Identification of the Limitations in the claims that are disclosed by the reference".

1. Regarding claim 7 and what appears to the limitations taught by the **Suh** reference, the AESD section "9(b) Identification of Limitations Disclosed by References:" states:

> Claim 7) The large scale system of claim 1, wherein the fragments are associated with approximately sequential segments of streaming contents, (page 4 Col 1 lines 5-17) and the assembling devices are configured to obtain the fragments at rates approximately equal to or higher than the rates of presenting the streaming contents. (page 3 Col 2 lines 52-59, page 4 Col 1 lines 18-26).

However, according to section "9(C) Detailed Explanation of Patentability" states:

> With respect to dependent claim 7, all of the references identified above fail to at least teach or suggest the non-obvious combination of "the fragments are associated with approximately sequential segments of streaming contents" and "the assembling devices are configured to obtain the fragments at rates approximately equal to or higher than the rates of presenting the streaming contents" with the patentable claim 1.

Hence, it is not clear whether or not the applied reference teaches or suggest alone or in non-obvious combination "the fragments are associated with approximately sequential segments of streaming contents" and "the assembling devices are configured to obtain the fragments at rates approximately equal to or higher than the rates of presenting the streaming contents" and if not, what features of the claim limitation are covered on cited passage above mentioned.

Similar analysis is applicable to the teachings of **Suh** regarding **claim 16.**

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A PENILE CYLINDER HAVING A REINFORCED TIP	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed November 13, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are DISMISSED.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the DKPTO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the DKPTO application(s);
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the DKPTO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the DKPTO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s);
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the DKPTO examiner in the DKPTO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee $130.00 under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition do not comply with all of the above requirements. The request to participate in the PPH program and petition fail to include Item #1. The applicant failed to validly claim the foreign priority. A certified copy of the PA 2008 01444 must be provided. In the applicant's declaration or oath filed on October 16, 2009, the applicant did not make any foreign priority claim. A new oath or declaration is also required in order to validly claim the foreign priority.

The applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from the DKPTO application containing the allowable/patentable claim(s). Any office actions issued by the DKPTO must also include an accurate English translation.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this decision to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn. Currently, the application is undergoing pre-examination processing. Once it is released for examination, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for action in its regular turn.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen at 571-272-4856.

Petition is **dismissed**.

/Henry C. Yuen/

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12/580,254	10/16/2009	Randy L. Morningstar	2008043-US	9997

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MORNINGSTAR, RANDY L.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/580254	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: Oct. 16, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 2008043-US	:	PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITION
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A PENILE CYLINDER HAVING A REINFORCED TIP	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the renewed request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed July 16, 2010 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are GRANTED.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:
(1) The U.S. application must disclose an eligible relationship to one or more PCT applications filed in the JPO, EPO, KIPO or USPTO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the PCT application(s) latest international work product (the written opinion or the IPER) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the PCT application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of the latest international work product from the PCT application containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate; and
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the PCT examiner in the international work product along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications.

In light of the petition being properly submitted, the request to participate in the PPH program and the petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

The applicant is encouraged to cite and submit all relevant prior art references, if any, to facilitate examination in this application.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to David Bryant, the SPE of Art Unit 3726, and 571-272-4526 for Class 029/428 and also accessible in the PAIR system at http://www.uspto.gov/ebc.index.html.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application will be docketed to an examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Henry C. Yuen, at 571-272-4856.

The petition is **granted.**

/Henry C. Yuen/

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
12/580,282	10/16/2009	Takeshi Chujoh	349397US2 SRD DIV	1047

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Attorney Docket No. **349397US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/580,284	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
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Attorney Docket No. **349402US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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Application No. 12/580,286	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
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Attorney Docket No. **349407US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
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	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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12/580,303	10/16/2009	Norifumi TOKUDA	349091US2DIV	1104

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DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(d)

The declaration of express abandonment is recognized

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(d), requesting for a refund of any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee in the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The express abandonment is recognized. Any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee are hereby refunded.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the Office of Data Management at (571) 272-4200.

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Application No. 12/580,552 :
Filed: October 16, 2009 :
Attorney Docket No. 349392US2 SRD DIV :

DECISION ON REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PROGRAM AND PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

/Michael Horabik/

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Application No. 12/580,558 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 16, 2009 : PURSUANT TO
Attorney Docket No. 5979- : 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(A)
0102PUS2 :
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR :
DRY GRANULATION :

This is in response to the petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), filed April 1, 2010, and supplemented on April 30, 2010.

This petition is **GRANTED**.

On October 16, 2009, this application was filed, identifying Giovanni Politi and Erkki Heilakka as the joint inventors. On November 3, 2009, Applicant was mailed a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted," requiring, *inter alia*, an executed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 and the surcharge for the late filing of the same. The notice set a two-month period for reply.

A grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) requires:

(1) the petition fee of $200;
(2) a surcharge of either $65 or $130 if the petition is not filed at the time of filing the application, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(f);
(3) a statement of the last known address of each non-signing inventor;
(4) either

a) proof that a copy of the entire application (specification, claims, drawings, and the oath or declaration) was sent or given to each non-signing inventor for review and proof that each non-signing inventor refuses to join in the application or

b) proof that each non-signing inventor cannot be found or reached after diligent effort, and;

(5) a declaration which complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

With this petition, Petitioner has asserted that Mr. Politi has refused to join this application[1] and has submitted the petition fee and the surcharge associated with the late submission of this petition, a declaration that has been executed by Mr. Heilakka, the last known address of the non-signing inventor,[2] proof that he was provided with a copy of the application,[3] proof that the non-signing inventor refused to execute the declaration,[4] and a three-month extension of time so as to make timely this response.

Each of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) has been satisfied. This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. As provided in Rule 1.47, this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the declaration that was submitted concurrently with this petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The Technology Center will be notified of this decision, and jurisdiction over this application is transferred to the Technology Center, so that the application may receive further processing. The Technology Center's support staff will notify the Examiner of this decision, so that the present application can receive further processing in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding *this decision* should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3225.[5] All other inquiries

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1 Petition, page 1.
2 Petition page 3.
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4 "Annex 2."
5 Petitioner will note that all practice before the Office should be in writing, and the action of the Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.2. As such, Petitioner is reminded that no telephone discussion may be controlling or considered authority for Petitioner's further action(s).

concerning examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

/Paul Shanoski/
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Application No. 12/580,558 :
Filed: October 16, 2009 : LETTER
Attorney Docket No. 5979-0102PUS2 :
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRY GRANULATION :

Dear Mr. Politi:

You are named a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 116 (United States Code) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application, you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 C.F.R. § 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, the attorney of record below would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3225. Requests for information regarding your application should be

directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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In re Application of	:	
CHUJOH, TAKESHI et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No. 12/580,568	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 16, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. **349387US-2SRD DIV**	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
	:	37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
(2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
(6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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MOLGAARD, Emil	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 12/580,671	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: October 16, 2009	:	THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY
Attorney Docket No. VWS-08US	:	PILOT PROGRAM

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed June 25, 2010, to make the above-identified application special under the pilot program for applications pertaining to Green Technologies as set forth in 74 Federal Register Notice 64666 (December 8, 2009) and amended by 75 Federal Register Notice 28554 (May 21, 2010).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102 and the pilot program as set forth in 74 FR 64666 must be directed to a nonprovisional application filed under 35 USC 111(a) or be a national stage entry under 35 USC 371, exclusive of any reissue applications and be filed prior to the date of the notice, December 8, 2009.

In order to qualify for special status, the following requirements must be met. 1) The application must have no more than 3 independent claims and no more than 20 total claims. 2) The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. 3) The petition must state the basis for seeking special status, i.e., the claimed invention either: A) materially enhances the quality of the environment or B) materially contributes to: i) the discovery or development of renewable energy resources, ii) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources, or iii) greenhouse gas emission reduction. 4) If the disclosure is not clear on its face that the claimed invention materially contributes under category (A) or (B), the petition must be accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the materiality standard is met. 5) A statement that applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview if a restriction requirement is made by the examiner. 6) The petition to make special must be filed electronically. 7) The petition

must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office Action appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. 8) The petition must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and include the publication fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

The requirement for a fee for consideration of the petition to make special for applications pertaining to Green Technologies has been waived.

The instant petition complies with items 1 – 8 above. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center Art Unit 2193 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Eddie C. Lee at 571-272-1732.

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Application No.: 12/580,828
Filed: 16 October 2009
Attorney Docket No.: 3449-1244PUS1
For: SEMICONDUCTOR LIGHT EMITTING DEVICE

: DECISION ON REQUEST TO
: PARTICIPATE IN THE PATENT
: PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
: PROGRAM AND PETITION
: TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed 14 July 2010, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

Discussion

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

1. The U.S. application is

   a. a Paris Convention application which either
      i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more applications filed in the KIPO, or
      ii. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)/365(a) to a PCT application that contains no priority claims,

   or

   b. a national stage application under the PCT (an application which entered the national stage in the U.S. from a PCT international application after compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371), which PCT application
      i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 365(b) to an application filed in the KIPO, or
      ii. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 365(b) to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
      iii. contains no priority claim,

   or

   c. a so-called bypass application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) which validly claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 to a PCT application, which PCT application

i. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 365(b) to an application filed in the KIPO, or
ii. validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 365(b) to a PCT application that contains no priority claims, or
iii. contains no priority claim;

2. Applicant must submit a copy of:
   a. The allowable/patentable claim(s) from the KR application(s);
   b. An English translation of the allowable/patentable claim(s), and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate (if the claims were published in a language other than English);
3. Applicant must:
   a. Ensure that all the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the KR application(s), and
   b. Submit a claims correspondence table in English;
4. Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
5. Applicant must submit:
   a. A copy of all the office actions (which are relevant to patentability), excluding "Decision to Grant a Patent" from each of the KR application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s);
   b. An English language translation of the KIPO office action; and
   c. A statement that the English translation is accurate (if the office actions are not in the English language);
6. Applicant must submit:
   a. An IDS listing the documents cited by the KIPO examiner in the KIPO office action (unless already filed in this application); and
   b. Copies of all the documents cited in the KIPO office action, except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications (unless already filed in this application);

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Any response must be submitted via EFS-Web.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Lee W. Young at 571-272-4549.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application is accessible in the PAIR system at http://uspto.gov/ebc/index.html.

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Application No. 12/580,857	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: October 16, 2009	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Attorney Docket No. 349357US-2SRD DIV	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION
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This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 16, 2009 to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **GRANTED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

(1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
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(3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
(4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
(5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
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(7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition comply with the above requirements. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michael Horabik at 571-272-3068.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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