-----Original Message-----

From: Margo Wach [mailto:margowach@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 12:06 AM

To: AB93Comments

Subject: Opposition to Proposed Rules: 71 Fed. Reg. 48 (January 3, 2006)

To whom it may concern,

I am submitting this e-mail to formally express my <u>opposition</u> to the Proposed Rules: "Changes to Practice for Continuing Applications, Requests for Continued Examination Practice, and Applications Containing Patentably Indistinct Claims" 71 Fed. Reg. 48 (January 3, 2006)

As a small business owner and an inventor of a pending patent application, I can't understand why the U.S. Patent Office would take any measures that would dilute the limited abilities of small businesses and individuals to secure patent protection for their innovations. Please do <u>not</u> adopt the proposed changes.

Regards,

Margo Wach