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1Of the requests received in FY 2009, 20 requests have not yet been accorded a filing date, and 7 requests have had preprocessing terminated, for failure to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.915. See Clarification of Filing Date Requirements for Ex Parte and Inter Partes Reexamination Proceedings, Final Rule, 71 Fed. Reg. 44219 (August 4, 2006).