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Re:

USPTO Proposed Rules Regarding Practices for the Examination of Claims

Sir:

I oppose the proposed rule changes

The Office should not adopt the proposed rules published January 3, 2006. The proposed rule changes should be rejected because they would impose an undue burden on patent applicants, massively increase the cost of patent prosecution, and prevent many patent applicants (particularly small businesses) from obtaining the full scope of patent protection to which they are entitled.

The proposal to limit the initial examination of patent claims to only ten representative claims is ridiculous. The Office is apparently not experienced in the need for detailed claim drafting to reflect an applicant's needs. The proposal shows a clear lack of understanding by the Office with regard to patent prosecution in the real world. The proposal serves only the interest of the Office, not the American people.

The USPTO should not ignore the widespread public opposition to these proposed rules.

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