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**To:** AB94Comments

**Subject:** Objection to Rules Change

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**MAY 2, 2006**

**MR. JONATHAN DOLL  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENT  
USPTO**

**RE: PROPOSED RULES CHANGE  
CONTINUATION RULES**

**DEAR COMMISSIONER DOLL:**

**AS AN AMERICAN, A PRIVATE INDUSTRY PRODUCT DEVELOPER AND INVENTOR I AM  
VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE RULES CHANGES BEING CONSIDERED BY THE USPTO.**

**AS AN INDEPENDENT INVENTOR IT CAN BE A TREMENDOUS PERSONAL DRAIN TO  
DEVELOP AND FUND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT. I BELIEVE THAT MANY OF MY  
PRODUCTS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE AMERICAN CONSUMER AND ECONOMY.  
HOWEVER, WITH THE INCREASED COST AND LIMITATIONS THAT THIS RULES CHANGE  
WOULD CREATE, WILL DISINCENTIFY INNOVATION IN AMERICA.**

**MY PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT THE USPTO SHOULD BE HELPING AMERICANS  
INNOVATE AND BRING PRODUCTS TO MARKET. THAT GOAL WILL HELP AMERICA,  
AMERICANS AND STRENGTHEN AMERICA'S PLACE IN THE WORLD. AGAIN, I BELIEVE  
THIS PROPOSED RULE CHANGE WILL WORK AGAINST THAT END.**

**I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PROPOSE RULES WILL RESULT NOT ONLY ADVERSELY  
AFFECT ME, BUT WILL ALSO ADVERSELY AFFECT OTHERS AS SOME NOVEL INVENTION  
WILL MOST LIKELY BE ABANDON OR NOT PURSUED. IN EITHER EVENT THE  
BUREAUCRACY WILL PREVENT THE MARKET FROM DETERMINING THE VALUE OF MY  
INNOVATIONS.**

**RATHER THAN THE CHANGING THE CONTINUATION RULES, I WOULD STRONGLY URGE  
THAT YOU ADDRESS THE REAL PROBLEM WHICH IS THE SHORTAGE OF EXAMINERS.  
REDIRECTING THE FEES PAID TO THE USPTO TOWARDS TRAINING, SALARIES AND  
RETENTION WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS CORRECTING THIS PROBLEM AND  
PROVIDING IMPROVED SERVICE.**

**THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND FOR SUPPORTING THE  
EFFORTS OF THE AMERICAN INVENTION MACHINE... THE INDEPENDENT INVENTOR.**

**SINCERELY,**

**JAMES STAVOE**  
**INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**