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**EX PARTE REEXAMINATION COMMUNICATION TRANSMITTAL FORM**

REEXAMINATION CONTROL NO. 90/011,250.

PATENT NO. 6772132.

ART UNIT 3992.

Enclosed is a copy of the latest communication from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the above identified *ex parte* reexamination proceeding (37 CFR 1.550(f)).

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<b>Order Granting / Denying Request For Ex Parte Reexamination</b>	Control No. 90/011,250	Patent Under Reexamination 6772132	
	Examiner Sam Rimell	Art Unit 3992	

**--The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--**

The request for *ex parte* reexamination filed 22 September 2010 has been considered and a determination has been made. An identification of the claims, the references relied upon, and the rationale supporting the determination are attached.

Attachments: a)  PTO-892,      b)  PTO/SB/08,      c)  Other: Decision

1.  The request for *ex parte* reexamination is GRANTED.

RESPONSE TIMES ARE SET AS FOLLOWS:

For Patent Owner's Statement (Optional): TWO MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication (37 CFR 1.530 (b)). **EXTENSIONS OF TIME ARE GOVERNED BY 37 CFR 1.550(c).**

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2.  The request for *ex parte* reexamination is DENIED.

This decision is not appealable (35 U.S.C. 303(c)). Requester may seek review by petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.181 within ONE MONTH from the mailing date of this communication (37 CFR 1.515(c)). **EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SUCH A PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 ARE AVAILABLE ONLY BY PETITION TO SUSPEND OR WAIVE THE REGULATIONS UNDER 37 CFR 1.183.**

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/Sam Rimell/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3992		
cc:Requester ( if third party requester )		

**DECISION ON REQUEST FOR EX PARTE REEXAMINATION**

A request for reexamination affecting claims 1-2, 8, 14, 20, 22-23, 25, 27-28, 30, 32-33, 37-38, 40, 42-43, 47-48 and 53 of US Patent 6,772,132 has been received and considered. No substantial new questions of patentability have been raised by the request. Detailed rationale for this finding is set forth in this action.

**References Asserted by Requester as Raising  
Substantial New Questions of Patentability**

- U.S. Pre-Grant Publication 2003/0097325 to Friesen et al, published May 22, 2003 and filed April 9, 1999.
- U.S. Patent 5,297,031 to Gutterman et al, published March 22, 1994 and filed March 6, 1990.
- U.S. Patent 7,212,999 to Friesen et al, published May 1, 2007 and filed April 9, 1999.
- LIFFE. The Application Program Interface (API) reference manual for LIFFE CONNECT, September 1998, Release 3.1, published by LIFFE, London England (hereafter referred to as LIFFE CONNECT).
- Swiss Exchange SWX, Swiss Exchange SWX TS User Manual, Version 2.1, December 31, 1998, published by Swiss Exchange SWX (hereafter referred to as SWX Manual).

**Availability of Asserted References as Prior Art**

The references to LIFFE and SWX Manual were published prior to March 2, 2000 effective filing date of U.S. Patent 6,772,132. Accordingly, these references are available as prior art under 35 USC 102(a).

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The reference to Gutterman et al was published more than one year prior to the March 2, 2000 effective filing date of U.S. Patent 6,772,132 and thus is available as prior art under 35 USC 102(b).

The references to Friesen et al ('325) and Friesen et al ('999) were filed prior to the March 2, 2000 effective filing date of U.S. Patent 6,772,132 and thus are available as prior art under 35 USC 102(e).

#### **Summary of Prosecution History for U.S. Patent 6,772,132**

- U.S. application 09/590,692 was filed June 9, 2000.
- A non-final office action was mailed by USPTO on June 8, 2001. Claims 1-21 were withdrawn. Claims 22-40 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Claims 22-40 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e)/103(a) in view of [www.tradingtechnologies.com](http://www.tradingtechnologies.com).
- Applicant submitted a response with remarks on October 9, 2001. Claims 1-21 were cancelled. Claims 22, 23, 30 and 36 were amended. Claims 41-88 were added.
- A Notice of Allowance was issued by USPTO on July 13, 2002. Claims 71-88 were indicated as cancelled. Claims 22-70 were indicated as allowed. The attached correspondence includes an initialed form PTO 1449 signed January 9, 2002. Reasons for patentability stated:

*“The prior art fails to teach a method of placing a trade order, computer readable medium with instructions for placing a trade order, and/or a client system for placing a trade order comprising a dynamic display and a static display. The static display, directed to the commodity price, does not change. In contrast, the values of the bid/ask, reflecting the market depth for the commodity, are dynamically displayed and are aligned with the corresponding*

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