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DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to applicants' amendment filed on 06/08/2010.
2. Claims 21-31, 34-38 and 41-57 are pending.
3. Claims 41-57 are new.

Claim Objections

The amendment to the claims filed on 06/08/2010 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because the status of claims 1-20 is not provided in the listing of claims. Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c) which states:

(c) *Claims*. Amendments to a claim must be made by rewriting the entire claim with all changes (e.g., additions and deletions) as indicated in this subsection, except when the claim is being canceled. Each amendment document that includes a change to an existing claim, cancellation of an existing claim or addition of a new claim, must include a complete listing of all claims ever presented, including the text of all pending and withdrawn claims, in the application. The claim listing, including the text of the claims, in the amendment document will serve to replace all prior versions of the claims, in the application. In the claim listing, the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following identifiers in a parenthetical expression: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New), and (Not entered).

(1) *Claim listing*. All of the claims presented in a claim listing shall be presented in ascending numerical order. Consecutive claims having the same status of "canceled" or "not entered" may be aggregated into one statement (e.g., Claims 1–5 (canceled)). The claim listing shall commence on a separate sheet of the amendment document and the sheet(s) that contain the text of any part of the claims shall not contain any other part of the amendment.

(2) *When claim text with markings is required*. All claims being currently amended in an amendment paper shall be presented in the claim listing, indicate a status of "currently amended," and be submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed

before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets if strike-through cannot be easily perceived. Only claims having the status of “currently amended,” or “withdrawn” if also being amended, shall include markings. If a withdrawn claim is currently amended, its status in the claim listing may be identified as “withdrawn—currently amended.”

(3) *When claim text in clean version is required.* The text of all pending claims not being currently amended shall be presented in the claim listing in clean version, *i.e.*, without any markings in the presentation of text. The presentation of a clean version of any claim having the status of “original,” “withdrawn” or “previously presented” will constitute an assertion that it has not been changed relative to the immediate prior version, except to omit markings that may have been present in the immediate prior version of the claims of the status of “withdrawn” or “previously presented.” Any claim added by amendment must be indicated with the status of “new” and presented in clean version, *i.e.*, without any underlining.

(4) *When claim text shall not be presented; canceling a claim.*

(i) No claim text shall be presented for any claim in the claim listing with the status of “canceled” or “not entered.”

(ii) Cancellation of a claim shall be effected by an instruction to cancel a particular claim number. Identifying the status of a claim in the claim listing as “canceled” will constitute an instruction to cancel the claim.

(5) *Reinstatement of previously canceled claim.* A claim which was previously canceled may be reinstated only by adding the claim as a “new” claim with a new claim number.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 21-31, 34-38 and 41-57 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Normally an entity, a device, an item, an element or an individual is preceded by article “a” when recited in a claim for the first time. Thereafter, that entity, device, item, element or individual is preceded by article “the” if recited in that claim or any

independent claims for any subsequent number of times. This practice has not been followed in numerous places throughout the amended and new claims. Therefore, the claims are indefinite because it is not clear whether the same computer, entity and individual are involved and performing the recited functions or different ones. The applicant should make appropriate corrections to the claims to rectify the indefiniteness of the claims caused by this issue.

Claim 22 recites the limitation "the authentication request from the entity" in lines 2 and 3. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim 23 recites the limitation "the first trusted-authenticator" in lines 2 and the limitation "the authentication request from the entity" in lines 2 and 3. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to the rejections of claims stated in the Remarks and in the Affidavit filed under 132 rule on 06/08/2010 have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejections have been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration of the amended claims, a new ground(s) of rejection is made.

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