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ART UNIT 3992.

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# Ex Parte Reexamination Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief

Control No.	Patent Unde	er Reexamination
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Karin Reichle	3992	<b>File) Status</b> No

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THE PROPOSED RESPONSE FILED  $\underline{20~July~2015}$  FAILS TO OVERCOME ALL OF THE REJECTIONS IN THE FINAL REJECTION MAILED  $\underline{22~May~2015}$ .

1. Unless a timely appeal is filed, or other appropriate action by the patent owner is taken to overcome all of the outstanding rejection(s), this prosecution of the present *ex parte* reexamination proceeding WILL BE TERMINATED and a Notice of Intent to Issue *Ex Parte* Reexamination Certificate will be mailed in due course. Any finally rejected claims, or claims objected to, will be CANCELLED.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL		
<ol> <li>An Appeal Brief is due two months appeal. See 37 CFR 41.37(a). Exte</li> </ol>	from the date of the Notice of Appeal file ensions of time are governed by 37 CFR	
<u>AMENDMENTS</u>		
3. The proposed amendment(s) filed a because:	fter a final action, but prior to the date of	filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered
(b) They raise the issue of new matter	require further consideration and/or sea er (see NOTE below); e proceeding in better form for appeal by	•
(d) They present additional claims win NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 a	thout canceling a corresponding number nd 41.33(a)).	of finally rejected claims.
4.   Patent owner's proposed response	filed has overcome the following re	ejection(s):
5. The proposed new or amended clai amendment canceling the non-allow	m(s) would be allowable if submitte	
6. For purposes of appeal, the propose explanation of how the new or ame The status of the claim(s) is (or will Claim(s) patentable and/or confirme Claim(s) objected to: Claim(s) rejected: Claim(s) not subject to reexamination	nded claim(s) would be rejected is provided be) as follows: ed:	
AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE		
7. A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under 3	7 CFR 1.130(b) was/were filed on	
8. The affidavit or other evidence filed be entered because patent owner f		date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not ufficient reasons why the affidavit or
	davit or other evidence fails to overcome g of good and sufficient reasons why the	all rejections under appeal and/or
10. The affidavit or other evidence is e attached.	entered. An explanation of the status of the	ne claims after entry is below or
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/O	THER .	
11. The request for reconsideration has allowance because: See attached p	is been considered but does NOT place tage.	the application in condition for
12. Note the attached Information Disc	<del></del>	No(s) 7/16/15.7/20/15.
13. Other:	(- <sub>1</sub> , · · · - · · · · · · · · · · · ·	( ,
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The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: Patent Owner's arguments are not persuasive. First, the claim construction set forth in the Office Actions is proper and applies the "ordinary and customary meaning" standard while taking into consideration the Specification of the patent. It is noted that the portion of the MPEP 2111.01 cited by the Patent Owner explicitly states, "The ordinary and customary meaning of a term may be evidenced by a variety of sources, including 'the words of the claims themselves, the remainder of the specification ...". The Specification never defines the terms "first control device" or "second control device", nor does the Patent Owner now cite a definition. Patent Owner's arguments and citations are completely exemplary, illustrative and non-limiting. (Attention is also reinvited to MPEP 2111.01, i.e. Section II.) Not only are the actual claim terms not defined, the phrases, such as "separate and distinct", which Patent Owner now wishes to read into the claim are not described in the same manner as Patent Owner now uses them, for example in relation to a "first control device" and a "vehicle component". The claim terms "first control device" and "second control device" are broad and citing to specific, but non-limiting, examples in the specification does not redefine the terms. Nothing in the Specification contradicts the claim construction used in the Office Actions. The Final Office Action uses terms such as "may be", "might be", and "may actually be" to indicate the breadth of the claims and specification cited by Patent Owner and to point out that both the "ordinary and customary meaning" of the claims and specification read upon the cited prior art. Finally, in response to Patent Owner's arguments, all of the Final Office Action mailed 05/22/2015 is incorporated herein by reference. Patent Owner has not presented a substantially new argument in the response after final and therefore a interview is deemed unnecessary for advancement of the proceedings.

#### **IDS Submissions**

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Accordingly, the IDS submissions have been considered by the Examiner only with the scope required by MPEP 2256.



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		Examiner Name	K. REICHLE		
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