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RESPONSE

In response to the Official Action mailed June 9, 2010, the period for response being until September 9, 2010, please amend the above identified patent application as set forth on the following pages.

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SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification as shown in the following paragraph:

“This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 11/495,666 filed July 31, 2006, now U.S. Patent No. 7,714,849; which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/435,854 filed November 8, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 7,098,891; which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/496,908 filed June 29, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,982,352. All of these prior applications are hereby incorporated by reference.”

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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above identified patent application is respectfully requested. Claims 4-55 are pending; claims 1-3 remain cancelled. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

I. Allowed Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's statement that claims 6, 27, 41-42 and 50 present allowable subject matter.

II. Statutory Double Patenting Rejection

As previously presented, claims 4-5, 7-26, 28-40, 43-49 and 51-55 were provisionally rejected on the ground of statutory-type double patenting in view of claims 63-64, 66-68, 71-87, 89-101, 105-11 and 113-117 of copending Application No. 12/500,968.

Claims 63-64, 66-68, 71-87, 89-101, 105-11 and 113-117 of copending Application No. 12/500,968 have been canceled by Preliminary Amendment dated June 11, 2010. In view of the cancellation of these claims in the '968 application, Applicant respectfully submits that the statutory-type double patenting rejection is overcome.

II. Conclusion

In view of the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is fully in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is earnestly and respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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