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Applicants herewith submit the following Supplemental Amendment and Remarks.

I. AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Claim 3 has been amended. Claims 4-32 have been cancelled. Claim 3 remains as the sole claim in the application.

Please cancel claims 4-32 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

3. (Twice Amended) A method of enabling a programming presentation at a receiver station, said receiver station having a receiver for receiving at least some of an information transmission, at least one enabling device operatively connected to said receiver, a processor operatively connected

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to said at least one enabling device, and an output device operatively connected to said at least one enabling device, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving said information transmission from one of a local source and a remote source, said information transmission containing disabled information;

detecting the presence of an instruct-to-enable signal, said instruct-to-enable signal designating enabling information, wherein said enabling information includes a second instruct-to-enable signal;

passing said instruct-to-enable signal to said processor;

modifying a fashion in which said receiver station locates said enabling information in response to said instruct-to-enable signal;

locating said enabling information based on said step of modifying a fashion;

enabling said disabled information based on said step of locating said enabling information; [and]

outputting said programming presentation based on said step of enabling said disabled information; and

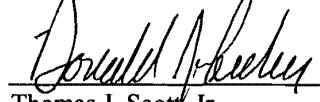
delivering at least some of said programming presentation at said output device based on said second instruct-to-enable signal.

II. REMARKS

In consonance with the agreement between Applicants and the Office regarding the co-pending U.S. patent applications related to this application, Applicants hereby cancel claims 4-32. Claims corresponding to the claims cancelled from the instant application have been added to App. Ser. No. 08/474,145, Atty. Dkt. No. 05634.0303. Applicants respectfully request that further prosecution of the instant application be held in abeyance pending further action in App. Ser. No. 08/474,145.

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