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37 CFR 1.115 PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows.

I. IN THE SPECIFICATION

At Page 1, please replace Paragraph [0001] with the following paragraph:

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II. IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A method for copy protection of digital information, the digital information including a digital sample and format information, comprising the steps of: identifying a portion of the format information to be encoded; generating encoded format information from the identified portion of the format information; and generating encoded digital information, including the digital sample and the encoded format information.

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