

EXHIBIT 7

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2016, in connection with the patent application identified above, the following Amendment and Response is respectfully submitted. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge excess claim fees to the credit card identified in this filing, and no additional fees are believed to be required. If any such fees are due, however, the Commissioner is hereby also authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-4634, referencing Docket No. MOC-003.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.

REMARKS

Administrative Overview

Claims 1-8, 11-18, 21-28, and 31-53 were pending. In the present Amendment, claims 1, 2, 5-7, 11, 15, 16, 21, 25, 26, 31, 32, 34, 37, 38, 43, 44, 52, and 53 are amended, claims 8, 18, 28, 35, 36, 49, and 51 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and new claims 54-67 are added.

Support for the amendments to claims 1, 11, 21, and 53, and for new claims 54-60, can be found, for example, in U.S. Patent No. 7,031,728 (“the ‘728 patent”) in col. 4, lines 39-56; col. 6, lines 13-17 and 34-36; col. 7, lines 44-50; col. 2, lines 27-31; col. 3, lines 48-52; col. 4, lines 31-32; col. 4, line 64 – col. 5, line 8; col. 6, lines 41-46; and col. 10, lines 51-55.

Support for new claims 61-62 can be found, for example, in the ‘728 patent in col. 3, lines 35-40; col. 4, lines 56-64; col. 8, lines 20-25; and col. 10, line 56 – col. 11, line 4.

Support for new claims 63-66 can be found, for example, in the ‘728 patent in the Abstract and in col. 2, lines 5-17 and 43-52; col. 4, lines 37-39; col. 5, line 55 – col. 6, line 4; col. 6, lines 61-67; col. 10, lines 52-57; and col. 12, lines 43-64.

Support for new claim 67 can be found, for example, in the ‘728 patent in col. 2, lines 31-33; col. 5, lines 21-23; col. 6, lines 5-12; and col. 7, lines 41-45.

Support for the amendments to claims 5, 15, and 25 can be found, for example, in the ‘728 patent in col. 4, lines 50-52 and col. 6, lines 16-18.

The other amended claims are amended for clarity and for consistency with the claims from which they depend.

It is noted that the ‘728 patent was incorporated by reference into the present application at the time of the present application’s filing. No new matter is added.

Applicability of Post-AIA Provisions of the Patent Laws to the Present Application

The Office Action (p. 2) states that “[t]he present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions” of the patent laws. For the reasons stated in the Response filed on October 30, 2015, it is understood that the present application will be examined under the post-AIA, first-to-file provisions of the patent laws.