

REMARKS

Examination of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the incorporation by reference of FIG. 7 which was inadvertently omitted from the instant application.

Disposition of Claims

Claims 1-35 remain pending in the instant application.

Omitted Drawing

The Applicant wishes to note that FIG. 7 described in the specification, which was incorporated by reference, had been inadvertently omitted from the above-identified patent application. As such, the Applicant wishes to rely on his incorporation by reference under 37 CFR 1.57(a) in the above-identified patent application based on his claim under 37 CFR 1.78 for obtaining the benefit of a prior-filed non-provisional patent application that was present on the filing date of the instant patent application. In particular, the omitted FIG. 7 is completely contained in the prior-filed application; namely, U.S. patent application serial number 10/051,406 filed January 8, 2002, and entitled "System and Method for Routing Media" which the entire contents was incorporated by reference in the specification of the instant patent application. The Applicant has filed herewith a copy of FIG. 7 as filed in the prior-filed application. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter FIG. 7 into the instant patent application prior to examination. The Applicant avers that no new matter has been entered by virtue of this preliminary amendment and entry of FIG. 7.

CONCLUSION

By the present remarks, the Applicant has submitted FIG. 7 which was inadvertently omitted from the instant patent application, but was incorporated by reference in an earlier-filed patent application that was pending at the time the instant patent application was originally filed. Accordingly, the incorporation by reference of FIG. 7 into the instant patent application is respectfully requested prior to examination.

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney collect if he has any questions related to the Applicant's remarks.

Respectfully submitted,



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