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I'm a Research Physicist. Have been a Staff Member at Los Alamos National Laboratory, at NASA, and at Texas Instruments. Have also worked as an Electronics and Test Engineer at several Government agencies and private companies. I'm a member of ALAMO INVENTORS in SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Our group is a member of the umbrella group IGA (Inventors Groups Of America) which supports stronger patent rights.

The reason for this letter is in support of the proposed changes by the U. S. Patent and Trade Office (USPTO) to the claim construction standard for interpreting claims in trial proceedings before the patent trial and appeal board. It is very important to implement a fair and balanced approach, while providing greater predictability and certainty in the patent system. This will help patent holders trying to secure funding from investors. It must be clear to the investor that there is a predictable outcome, or they will place their investment elsewhere. This country was built by small inventors, and the playing field must be leveled, **or innovation will be shuttered**, as will our economy and the words.

Thank you for your consideration,

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