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To: SatelliteOffices

Subject: Comments on Additional USPTO Satellite Offices

Dear Director Kappos,

In response to the Request for Comments on Additional USPTO Satellite Offices I strongly recommend that it be located in the Silicon Valley and in particular the San Jose area. My reasons for this recommendation include:

- 1) The large number of inventors in the area as indicated by patent applications filed by and patents awarded to Silicon Valley residents.
- 2) The large number of companies in the area which invest in patent protection as indicated by patent and application assignments.
- 3) The availability of highly technically qualified persons to construct, staff, maintain and service the satellite office and its facilities and equipment, including highly skilled technical persons living in the area and available for employment as examiners.
- 4) Convenience of transportation to Silicon Valley from the entire US and Pacific Rim Countries via the San Jose International Airport, as well as convenient local public transportation connecting with the San Jose Airport with travel accomodations and San Jose business areas where the office can be located.
- 5) Convenience to high tech communications facilities including high bandwidth internet access to the world.
- 6) Convenient access to numerous skilled experts in many fields of art which are employed by academia and industry as well as access to the substantial technical libraries of many universities.
- 7) No snow or hurricane closures.
- 8) For the satellite office employees, all of the quality of life reasons that have contributed to the dramatic growth of Silicon Valley over the past 5 decades including: excellent weather; excellent access to museums, fine arts, sight seeing and professional sports; excellent availability of educational facilities including world class universities including Stanford and UC Berkeley; and numerous leisure activities. In addition San Jose is a convnient drive to some of the nation's best recreation locations and the dozens of excellent summer and winter recreation opportunities they afford, including 10 minutes to the San Francisco Bay, 20 minutes to the Santa Cruz mountains and redwood forests, 30 minutes to the Santa Cruz beach, 1 hour to San Francisco, 1 1/2 hour to the Napa wine country and 3 hours to Lake Tahoe, Yosemite and the Sierra Nevada mountains.

I cannot think of a better location for a USPTO satellite office.

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