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Re: Docket number PTO-C-2011-0066

Dear Director Kappos:

I am writing to encourage the selection of California as the next location for the placement of a United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). As a Southern California, central Orange County Assemblyman in the California Legislature with a bevy of new, pioneering companies in my district, I know firsthand that California is at the forefront of our nation's innovative economy, and therefore a logical choice for a new USPTO.

California has unique qualifications that should carry sway in your decision. It's public and private universities, including those located in or near my district, are top ranked in engineering, the sciences and the law, and are developing leaders and skilled workers in the high tech, biotech, green tech, entertainment and food supply industries. Many of those universities, as well as many cities and counties have formed public/private partnerships with business partners to develop research and development labs and incubators throughout the state. Their success in the pursuit to find quality-of-life enhancing inventions fuels the economy of California, the United States and the entire globe. The massive amount of intellectual property and patent law practiced in our state by the highest skilled law firms in the country is evidence of that influence.

California, with strategic proximity to the Pacific Rim, is the gateway to new ideas and new markets. A satellite USTOP office located here is a practical placement for your next expansion. If I can be of any service to you in the future, please contact me.

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Jose Solorio CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLYMAN