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RE: Location of New Satellite USPTO in Metro Denver

Director Kappos:

It is with great enthusiasm that I send this letter on behalf of the City of Westminster to encourage a new U.S. Patent Trademark Office (USPTO) to be located in Metro Denver. The ease of multi-modal transportation into and out of the area, the general entrepreneurial spirit which radiates the region and the growing innovative industries already located in Metro Denver all speak to the Denver area being a logical location for the new satellite USPTO group of the providence of the set

an an the standard and the second standard and the standard frequences and the standard standard standard stand As you know, for many years Colorado residents have requested that the U.S. Patent Office have a presence in Denver. Because of the large number of technology workers in this area, the USPTO benefits in two ways: (1) access to workforce, which could serve as excellent long-term patent examiners; and, (2) access to a ready clientele desiring easier access to your services.

Colorado's Mountain Time Zone provides extended coverage of North America. The Denver International Airport, with over 160 non-stop destinations daily, provides quick access to this population as well as to the federal offices in Washington, D.C.

Denver is the logical choice for the USPTO office. Your support for the satellite operations in Metro Denver will be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Nancy McNally Mayor

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