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David Kappos, Director U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Mr. Kappos:

The City of Lakewood, Colorado, strongly supports the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) locating a regional office in metro Denver. Evidenced by the establishment of the Denver Federal Center in Lakewood, the largest concentration of federal agencies outside Washington, D.C., metro Denver has proven itself to be a strategic location for the federal government.

In addition, metro Denver and the Rocky Mountain region's innovative industry clusters, including energy, aerospace, bioscience, telecommunications, high-tech manufacturing, mining, and oil and gas and federal laboratories and research universities, offers a long-term pipeline of highly skilled technology workers.

Colorado's unique qualities, plus the high quality of life we experience, make Colorado the perfect choice for USPTO operations. Colorado's central location and Mountain time zone provides extended coverage for North America and access to an international airport that serves over 160 nonstop destinations daily.

We encourage the USPTO to select metro Denver as the next location for a regional office.

Sincerely,

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Bob Murphy Mayor

cc:

Michael Bennet, United States Senator, Colorado Pam Reichert, Vice President, Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation



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