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

RE: Letter of Support for Colorado Satellite Office for the USPTO

Dear Mr. Kappos,

This letter is in support of a new satellite office located in Colorado for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Colorado is home to one of the country's most vibrant clusters of bioscience innovation, technological development, and economic growth. Our innovation-based industries are heavily dependent on the approval of new patents for growth. Colorado State University and the Engines and Energy Conversion Laboratory located in Fort Collins is a prime example. I personally have four patents and 20 more in process. Additionally, our state boasts a large number of technology workers that would be excellent long-term patent examiners.

These unique qualities, among many others, make Colorado the perfect choice for a new office. I strongly encourage the location of a new U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in Colorado.

Sincerely,

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