Untitled From: Leinberg, Gunnar G. [e-mail address redacted] Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2012 10:31 AM To: SatelliteOffices Subject: Rochester, NY is the ideal location for one of the new satellite USPTO offices

Good morning! I would highly recommend Rochester, NY as one of the locations for the new USPTO satellite offices.

Based on an analysis by Forbes of the most innovative cities in the US, Rochester is ranked 5th for patents per capita. (2010). Additionally, Rochester ranks 1st for utility patents issued to companies or individuals per 1,000 workers. Rochester boasts 2.33 patents per 1,000 workers - the U.S. average is only 0.40 patents per 1,000 workers.

Additionally, the Daily Beast has ranked Rochester one of the top 10 smartest cities in America. This ranking is based on the education attainment levels of our workforce as well as our intellectual environment. Six Greater Rochester Region schools appear on U.S. News and World Report's rankings of top regional and national universities: U of R (25th overall), RIT (7th Best Universities Master's), SUNY Brockport (57th, Master's Universities in Northern Region), Nazareth College (26th Best Regional Universities in Northern Region), SUNY Geneseo (8th, Up and Coming Regional University in Rochester Region), St. John Fisher College (143 on national list). (September 2011).

Finally, MSN has rated Rochester, NY the #1 most livable bargain market in the US. "Rochester provides a lot of bang for your buck. It has big-city culture, a highly educated population, picturesque scenery, affordable housing and an expanding high-tech job base." Zillow.com has rated Rochester the third best place to buy a home due to a number of factors: affordability of homes, home value increases, low unemployment, and low % homes in foreclosure. (Jan 2011).

As you continue your deliberations, I hope you will seriously consider Rochester, NY as one of the locations for a new USPTO satellite office.

Best regards, Gunnar

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