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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES

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Ex parte BLAISE B. FANNING  
and THOMAS A. PIAZZA

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Appeal No. 2006-0115  
Application No. 09/823,126

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ON BRIEF

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Before THOMAS, KRASS, and DIXON, Administrative Patent Judges.  
KRASS, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION ON APPEAL

This is a decision on appeal from the final rejection of claims 1-30.

The invention pertains to a technique for cancelling a prefetch request by a processor, best illustrated by reference to representative independent claim 1, reproduced as follows: