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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte MANFRED NEUMANN, STEFFEN STRAACH, MARIO KRUG, and
NICOLAS SCHILLER

Appeal 2007-0649
Application 10/480,791
Technology Center 1700

REMAND TO THE EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on December 14, 2006. Upon review of the application, it has been determined that a remand to the Examiner, via the Office of the Director of the Technology Center, is necessary to consider the following issue and to take necessary corrective action.

The Examiner has failed to list *all* prior art relied upon in the rejections currently on appeal under the heading “**(8) Evidence Relied Upon**” in the Examiner’s Answer mailed July 21, 2006. The reference to Morgner et al. (DE 196 12 345 C1) is noted in sections **(9)** and **(10)** of the Examiner’s Answer but not

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listed by the Examiner as required by *the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP)* § 1207.02(A)(8).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner:

- (1) to issue a corrected Examiner's Answer that *fully complies* with *MPEP* § 1207.02(A)(8);
- (2) to have the corrected Examiner's Answer made a part of the Image File Wrapper (IFW) Official record; and
- (3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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