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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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*Ex parte* TAKESHI MIO, SUSUMU OKA, and KUNIO SHIBATA

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Appeal 2008-2843  
Application 09/877,006  
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Before DALE M. SHAW *Chief Appeals Administrator*  
SHAW, *Chief Appeals Administrator*.

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

On December 11, 2006, Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal. On December 10, 2007, Appellants filed a communication requesting withdrawal of this appeal.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the appeal filed December 11, 2006 is  
dismissed.

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The application is being returned to the Examiner for further action as may be deemed appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this dismissal, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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