

SUBMISSION OF PRIOR ART VIA 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 AMENDMENT

Applicant respectfully notes that M.P.E.P. § 714.16 lists examples of “amendments” that can be submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. This list includes the following:

- (A) an amendment to the specification,
 - (B) a change in the drawings,
 - (C) an amendment to the claims,
 - (D) a change in the inventorship,
 - (E) *the submission of prior art*,
 - (F) a request to correct the spelling of an inventor’s name (37 C.F.R. § 1.48 (f)),
 - (G) a request to change the order of the names of the inventors (37 C.F.R. § 1.48(f)), etc.
- (emphasis added).

Accordingly, Applicant hereby presents this Rule 312 Amendment to present to the Office for consideration of the following reference(s):

U.S. Patents		
Patent	Issue Date	Patentee or Applicant Name
7,266,962	Sep. 11, 2007	Montuoro et al.

Applicant does not believe the references are material to patentability, but out of an abundance of caution, the Applicant is submitting the reference(s) to allow the Examiner to make an independent judgment.

REMARKS

Applicant believes all claims now pending in this Application are still in condition for allowance. Consideration of this Rule 312 Amendment and the listed references is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 04-0258.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 206-757-8339.

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