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I would suggest a per-reference fee for third party submissions of prior art. You might even consider increasing the fee for each reference submitted over a threshold number, i.e., \$500 each for references 1-5, \$750 each for references 5-10, etc. The reason for this is to cut down on the number of submissions, as I am guessing there are parties out there that are lining up to submit "everything under the sun" in connection with patent applications owned by competitors. Such a large number of references will undoubtedly be a huge burden on Examiners attempting to prosecute cases.

Thank you.
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