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1.	Total requests filed since start of <i>inter partes</i> reexam on 11/29/99.....	1389 ¹	
2.	Number of filings by discipline		
	a. Chemical Operation	250	18%
	b. Electrical Operation	722	52%
	c. Mechanical Operation	401	29%
	d. Design Patents	16	1%
3.	Annual Reexam Filings		
	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u> <u>No.</u> <u>Fiscal Yr.</u> <u>No.</u> <u>Fiscal Yr.</u> <u>No.</u> <u>Fiscal Yr.</u> <u>No.</u>		
	2000 0 2003 21 2006 70 2009 258		
	2001 1 2004 27 2007 126 2010 281		
	2002 4 2005 59 2008 168 2011 374		
4.	Number known to be in litigation.....	974.....	70%
5.	Decisions on requests		1246
	a. No. granted	1187.....	95%
	(1) By examiner	1178	
	(2) By Director (on petition)	9	
	b. No. not granted	59.....	5%
	(1) By examiner	54	
	(2) Reexam vacated	5	
6.	Overall reexamination pendency (Filing date to certificate issue date)		
	a. Average pendency	36.2 (mos.)	
	b. Median pendency	32.9 (mos.)	
7.	Total <i>inter partes</i> reexamination certificates issued (1999 - present)		305
	a. Certificates with all claims confirmed	35	11%
	b. Certificates with all claims canceled (or disclaimed)	133	44%
	c. Certificates with claims changes	137	45%

¹Of the requests received in FY 2011, 3 requests have not yet been accorded a filing date, and 5 requests have had preprocessing terminated, for failure to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.915. See Clarification of Filing Date Requirements for *Ex Parte* and *Inter Partes* Reexamination Proceedings, Final Rule, 71 Fed. Reg. 44219 (August 4, 2006).