



The Honorable John Bryson
Secretary
United States Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Secretary Bryson,

I write to you to convey adidas America's strong support to locate a satellite Patent and Trademark office in Portland, Oregon.

adidas has a rich history of innovation since adi dassler first began making shoes in 1920.

Our adidas Innovation Team is based here in Portland and guides the design and innovation of our most advanced footwear, apparel and equipment.

Access to patent examiners here in Portland familiar with our products and processes would be invaluable in our efforts to continue to be the best sports brand in the world.

I thank you for your consideration to make Portland the site of one of the three satellite Patent and Trademark offices being considered by your office.

Respectfully,

Tom Hughes
Corporate Affairs Manager
adidas America

Richard Roberson
Patent Counsel
adidas Group