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Subject: Question about prioritized examination

I have a question about the new prioritized examination procedure that will be available for a \$4,800 fee (\$2,400 for small entities).

Will it be permissible to submit a preliminary amendment amending the claims after filing the application, so long as the preliminary amendment is submitted before the claims are examined? Or are preliminary amendments prohibited in prioritized examination cases?

Thank you.

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