

Suggested topic is oversight of the After Final Consideration Pilot 2.0 program.

It appears that some examiners simply refuse to consider AFCP submissions, stating that such consideration would require more time than is provided for under the program (even when the examiner has agreed in an interview that the amendment would overcome the cited art). This forces the applicant to submit an RCE to have the amendment entered and considered, and the examiner subsequently allows the application with no evidence of the supposed time and effort that was the alleged basis for refusing consideration under AFCP.

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