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From: Frank Plaisted

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To: AB93Comments

Subject: Continuation practice

Dear Commissioner John Doll,

I am an independent inventor and a retired engineer. My product development funds come from my meager retirement savings.

The proposed rule changes will greatly increase my up-front patent costs. This will make it difficult to pay patent costs out of subsequent license fees. In many cases, it will no longer be economically feasible for me to pursue an invention idea.

Please take this impact on the small inventor into consideration when deliberating on this proposed change.

Sincerely

Frank Plaisted

Independent Inventor