To whom it may concern,

I am submitting this e-mail to formally express my opposition to the Proposed Rules: "Changes to Practice for Continuing Applications, Requests for Continued Examination Practice, and Applications Containing Patentably Indistinct Claims" 71 Fed. Reg. 48 (January 3, 2006)

As a small business owner and an inventor of a pending patent application, I can't understand why the U.S. Patent Office would take any measures that would dilute the limited abilities of small businesses and individuals to secure patent protection for their innovations. Please do not adopt the proposed changes.

Regards,

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