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To whom it may concern,

On an overall basis, there are two metrics that needs to be balanced. The first metric is what you are focused on right now. How many bad patents got through the system. The second metric which is not focused or measured is whether there were any good invention that went abandoned due to the examination process.

The examiners are examining to the metric that you measure. The questions in your MRF form primarily focus on whether the examiner failed to give a rejection to a claim when it should have been rendered. The primary objective of your so called quality is a measure of whether the examiner missed a rejection. Did they let one go through the patent system when it shouldn't have gone through.

Unfortunately, by not giving equal measure to the second metric, the patent office is preventing some very good inventions from being protected by a patent. I ask that you give equal weight to both measures. Create standards for the second metric. Otherwise, your results will be skewed to one side. Right now, the atmosphere appears to be directed to making sure that all bad patents never get allowed even at the expense of preventing some good inventions from reaching the patented stage.

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