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REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM BETWEEN THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OF FRANCE (INPI) AND THE USPTO

Application No.:		First Named Inventor:	
Filing Date:		Attorney Docket No.:	
Title of Invention:			

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APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM.

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Office of earlier examination (OEE): INPI (The National Institute of Industrial Property of France)

INPI application number: _____
(Note: To be eligible, the INPI application must have a filing date on or after May 22, 2020.)

Both the INPI application and the above-identified U.S. application have the following earliest date (filing or priority date): _____

Type of INPI work product relied upon:

Mailing date of INPI work product: _____

Supporting Documents

1. INPI Work Product and Translation

A copy of the INPI work product and translation if not already in English:

☐ Attached ☐ Previously Submitted ☐ Not required because the decision to grant a patent was the first office action

☐ Applicant requests the USPTO to attempt to obtain the INPI work product from the Dossier Access System

NOTE: If the applicant requests the USPTO to obtain the INPI work product electronically and such attempt is unsuccessful, the applicant will be required to supply the document. Accordingly, to avoid dismissal of the initial PPH request and potential denial of participation in the PPH program, the applicant should verify that the INPI work product is actually available via the Dossier Access System before requesting retrieval. If the applicant is unable to verify availability, then the applicant should submit the document with the PPH request.

2. References Cited in INPI Work Product

An information disclosure statement (IDS) listing the references cited in the INPI work product and document copies (except U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications):

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3. Claims Correspondence Certification Statement

All of the claims in this application sufficiently correspond to the patentable/allowable claims in the INPI application.

4. Claims Correspondence Table

Claims in U.S. Application	Patentable/Allowable Claims in INPI Application	Explanation Regarding the Correspondence

Signature	Date
Name (print or type)	Registration Number

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