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Mr. David Kappos
Director
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dear Director Kappos:

The Google Boulder office is supportive of the proposed Denver metro area U.S. Patent and Trademark satellite office.

The region has a wealth of technology talent including the national labs, the University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado State University and many leading companies. Area employers include IBM, Oracle, Google and many vibrant start-up companies. The Boulder area has the highest concentration of software engineers in the US. The Boulder area ranks #1 in the nation for science and engineers as a percentage of the workforce (National Science Board, 2008). Colorado ranked #5 in the nation in software services employment. In the second quarter of 2009, Colorado ranked #3 in the nation for venture capital investments in the Biotechnology industry according to the PwC/NVCA Money Tree report. Denver International Airport is one of the five busiest airports in the country and it provides direct connections to key US cities.

Colorado has a well-deserved reputation for quality of life. Our office has grown four fold in 5 years because we're able to attract top talent nation wide. The quality of life and thriving technology community are key factors.

Thank you for considering the Denver metro area as a location for your next satellite office.

Sincerely,

Scott Green
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