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From: Earl E. Sullivan[e-mail address redacted]  
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Subject: Potential Satellite Office in Boise

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this note in support of placing a satellite office for the USPTO in Boise. As I am sure you are aware, Boise has an very robust level of innovation activity, measured by patent filings and grants ([http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/ac/ido/oeip/taf/c/s\\_cbsa/allcbsa\\_gd.htm](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/ac/ido/oeip/taf/c/s_cbsa/allcbsa_gd.htm)).

The reason for this is multi-fold. For example, Boise's high quality of life, measured by cost of living factors and high employee retention rates allows for us to both attract and retain high quality individuals and business. It has led us to having companies like Micron and HP located here for decades and gives Boise's a proven ability to recruit and retain science and technology professionals. In addition, due to our central location in the northwest region relative to other cities of high innovation activity, such as San Jose, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Denver, Boulder, and Salt Lake City, we have good collaboration and access to the people and businesses we need to continue to grow the economy in Boise.

The CORE, is a 501c6 focused on creating a Core Competency in the state of Idaho in Health and Research. As we put together our list of assets in the state focused on this type of research, innovation, and product development we have been amazed at the amount of current intellectual property as well as the variety of technology and people in the valley that are helping our state and specifically our Health and Research industry grow. As Chairman of our group, a group representing most of the large Health and Research related firms including Universities, the Idaho National Lab, and dozens of others, we believe that Boise is a perfect location for a satellite office and that the location of such an office would only provide additional resources for our growth and expansion.

The CORE adamantly supports placing a satellite USPTO office in Boise.

Best regards,

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