

Honorable John Bryson
Secretary
Department of Commerce
Washington, DC 20230

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Honorable Sir,

I have been inspired by Senator Ron Wyden to write on behalf of many here in Oregon to locate a USPT office here in our state to improve the patent and trademark process. I have been awarded six U.S. Patents over the last 25 years that have played a part in my establishing a manufacturing business and have three patents currently pending that will markedly change our industry. As a member of Sustainable Valley Technology Group, many of us have relocated from other states choosing Oregon as our home because of the quality of life offered enhancing our pursuit of happiness. It was a short time after relocating here 12 years ago that I became accustomed to the genuineness of neighbors and shopkeepers and others I interacted with as I relocated my company. Many here including myself enjoy Oregon's national leadership role through our continuing promotion of sustainability. From natural resource planning to energy efficiencies and ecological environmental responsibility, a common theme here is, "Reduce, reuse, recycle".

A reduced bureaucratic infrastructure including fire and police personnel has not resulted in increased lawless behavior yet has allowed redirected state spending in time of need. Oregon is one of few states to have no state sales tax yet appears to be better off fiscally than more than half of the nation.

It has been my experiences that as individuals understand and practice ecology and sustainable concepts they mature into more socially responsible citizens for the future and planet. Oregon is a life course that would attract many long term examiners for the PTO and a benefit to the patent applicant as case loads could be distributed accordingly as a timelier and more equitable outcome is achieved. As Oregon is sure to continue to be at the forefront of innovation with inventors such as myself it would certainly seem beneficial to have a USPTO office located here. I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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