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Subject: Austin, TX. - Suggestion for one of the new USPTO Satellite Offices

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to suggest that serious consideration be given to putting a satellite office in Austin Texas.

Given the substantial growth of new technologies coming from the Central Texas area and SW region in general, I believe a strong argument exists for locating one of the two remaining spots in Austin, TX.

A few points to consider:

- A huge influx of population moving to Texas due to businesses relocating here from all parts of the country in the past 10 years; in part due to more favorable business conditions, a highly skilled & highly-educated work force, and a lower cost of doing business;
- The Dallas - Austin - San Antonio - Houston area has been aptly defined as a new High-tech corridor. This area has even been described as a new silicon valley;
- Your own statistics will show that a highly significant percentage of new applications are being generated by inventors/companies from this region;
- There are more new and existing medical device related companies, all generating new, patentable technologies, in this one corridor than in any other state in the country;

I would welcome your feedback or questions related to this subject.

Warmest Regards,

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