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Subject: Plutocratic Innovation Suppression via Not Respecting 75% Fee Reduction
for Micro Entity in America Invents Act? Re: United States Patent Office Pr...

Dear Representatives of the United States Patent Office, Peter, Jenifer, et al,

I recently read that the America Invents Act has a "75% reduction in fees for micro-inventors", but this press release (11-50, on September 21, 2011) says now "At this time the USPTO may not offer the micro entity discount (75%) on any fees."

Can you explain "may not offer" and who is the "fee setting authority" that contradicts the 75% reduction in fees? Does the fee setting authority represent a political (or plutocratic) party?

It is critical for the individual inventor or small business person to be able to afford to get a patent on their own, and still survive financially, while trying to compete with large plutocratic corporations that receive government bailouts.

Steve Jobs was a starving man at a point in his life, and now the small micro inventor individual is going to have to decide between innovating vs. just surviving, because of a "fee setting authority" that selectively decided that "we may not offer the 75%"?

I created an analysis of the change in the fees based on the act. Is this accurate or is this going to be set by a mysterious unknown plutocratic committee as the "fee setting authority" that has decided to selectively not give the little guy a break, we just "may not offer it", what???

No wonder why people are occupying wall street, and are starting to occupy all over the country (maybe world) now. It is this kind of pushing down on the little guy, I have absolutely no respect for!

Savings from small entity (prior to act, based on small entity fees & includes 15% surcharge), to micro entity (post act). Please let me know if this real or is this deception by committee destroying the 75% reduction in fees?

USPTO Fee Type	Before	After	Difference
Basic Utility Fee	\$165	\$95	\$70
Utility Search Fee	\$270	\$155	\$115
Utility Exam Fee	\$110	\$63	\$48
Issue Fee	\$755	\$435	\$320
3.5 Year Fee	\$490	\$283	\$208
7.5 Year Fee	\$1,240	\$713	\$528
11.5 Year Fee	\$2,055	\$1,183	\$873
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TOTALS	\$5,085	\$2,925	\$2,160

% Net Savings for the new Micro Entity over Prior Small Entity Inventor = 42%

Is it real, or is it not?

Regards,

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