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Subject: Disclosure Document Program

Greetings,

I just learned of the intent to remove the Disclosure Document Program. This program was instrumental in my receiving Pat 6,915,918, Removable Seal.

Another inventor filed a patent application for a similar invention before I did.

It was my disclosure document which demonstrated my priority of invention, and allowed my application to be accepted.

The disclosure document has also been of great service in preliminary discussions

with potential investors. A disclosure document number gives evidence of

diligence, and my potential investors have been more willing to sign

non-disclosure agreements in preliminary discussions of my inventions, before I

had received patent protection.

I realize the deadline for comments is May 8, 2006, but I just discovered this

issue, and am replying immediately.

I believe education is all that is needed to increase the utility of the DDP.

Best regards,

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