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Re: Your Ref. No.: RC505167-003
Our Ref. No.: 08436.0101-US-01
RE: FUELSTAR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED - US Patent 6,024,073

Dear Sir:

Further to our letter dated January 19, 2005 we have received the Decision on Petition from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office advising us that the petition is granted. The maintenance fee is accepted and the patent is reinstated as of March 18, 2005. Enclosed for your file is a copy of this decision.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards,


Brian H. Batzli

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In re Patent No. 6,024,073
Issue Date: February 15, 2000
Application No. 09/113,819
Filed: July 10, 1998
Patentee(s) David J. Butt

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed December 29, 2004, to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand or direct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue. Nevertheless, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that the delay in paying the maintenance fee under 37 CFR 1.378(c) was intentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

Petitioner will not receive future correspondence related to maintenance fees for the above-identified patent unless a "fee address" indication form is submitted for the above-identified patent.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571) 272-3220.

The patent file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

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