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Appln. No. : 11/463,337 Examiner: Richard M. RUMP
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For : METHOD FOR PRODUCING PARTICLES, PARTICLES, AND SINTERED
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

This is in response to the requirement for restriction for restriction mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 29, 2008 setting a one month shortened statutory period for response until December 1, 2008 (November 29, 2008 being a Saturday).

Inasmuch as the shortened statutory period for response has expired, Applicants submits this paper with a request for one-month extension of time including the requisite fee. If any additional fee, including fees for extension of time is required, this is an express authorization to charge any required fee to maintain the pendency of the application, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for election of restriction are respectfully requested in view of the remarks which begin on page 2.