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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of foreign patent documents are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language document(s) is not readily available.

A brief description of the foreign language patent documents is given below.

The documents submitted herewith were cited in a Search Report (copy enclosed) issued in a European application corresponding to the above-referenced application.

European Publication EP 05 66 926 A discloses a gear unit for a handheld hammer drill including a percussion mechanism (9), a safety clutch (15), a spindle sleeve (13) or a spindle for the rotary drive of a tool holder and an intermediate shaft (5), by which the spindle sleeve or spindle is drivable via a toothed rim (14) mounted thereon. The spindle sleeve or spindle is shiftable into two gears. On the intermediate shaft (5), a sun wheel (17) of a shiftable planetary gear (18) is mounted. The planet carriers (21) of the planetary gear (18) have splining (23) concentric to the intermediate shaft and engaging in the toothed rim. The planetary gear ring gear (31) is axially displaceable in such a manner that it is held rigidly on the housing in a first displacement position (1st gear) and is connected nonrotatably to the planet carrier (21) in a second displacement position (2nd gear), with the safety clutch being active in both gears.

No fee is due with this Information Disclosure Statement as it is being submitted before the first Office Action on merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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