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INVENTION: "SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE, METHOD FOR

DRIVING SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE, AND

IMAGING APPARATUS"

AMENDMENT "A"

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SIR:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action of January 16, 2009.

Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.