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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This responds to the July 23, 2009 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. A response is due on or before October 23, 2009. Thus, this response is timely filed. Applicants are filing herewith a Request for Continued Examination. Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to withdraw the required fee from Deposit Account No. 19-0365.

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