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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte DAVID E. THOMAS
and JIAN X. LI

Appeal No. 2000-1435
Application 08/601,785

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed March 31, 1999 (Paper No. 14) needs to be considered by the Primary Examiner with respect to compliance with the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. A communication notifying appellants of the Primary Examiner's decision is required.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for consideration of the IDS and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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