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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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Ex parte AKIHIRO TAKAHASHI  
and KOUHEI IKETANI

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Appeal No. 2002-0303  
Application 08/831,872

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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On July 11, 2001, appellants filed an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 (Paper No. 27) after the Final Rejection (mailed January 11, 2001; Paper No. 23). On July 11, 2001, appellants filed an Appeal Brief (Paper No. 26). However, there is no indication in the record of whether or not the examiner has considered the Amendment. Further, the amendment has not been physically entered.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for clarifying the entry status of the amendment filed July 11, 2001 (Paper No. 27), for notification to appellants in writing of the action taken, 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 status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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