

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte KEIJI KITAGAWA and IKUO TANI

Appeal No. 2002-0641
Application 09/407,069¹

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

An amendment after final was filed by appellant on June 26, 2001 (Paper No. 29). The Advisory Action entered July 2, 2001 (Paper No. 31) indicated that such amendment would be entered. The Examiner's Answer entered August 27, 2001 (Paper No. 33) indicate that the amendment after final rejection has been entered. A review of the record indicates the amendment was **not** entered.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for entry of the amendment filed June 26, 2001 (Paper No. 29), for notification to appellant in writing of the action taken, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

¹ Application for patent filed September 28, 1999.

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This application, by virtue of its “special” status, requires immediate action, see MPEP § 708.01 (Eighth Edition, Aug. 2001), item (D). It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be promptly informed of any action affecting the appeal in this case.

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