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Your reference Our reference

(Date)

Dear Sirs

Patents Act 1977: Patents Rules 2007 Application for Restoration of Patent No. XXXXXXXX

- 1. I refer to my letter of (DATE) in connection with the above mentioned restoration application. In that letter I advised you that it was the preliminary view of the Office that the application for restoration should be refused. You were invited to submit any additional evidence which might add weight to your argument by (DATE).
- That deadline has now passed and no further evidence has been submitted. Accordingly, I am writing to confirm that, for the reasons given in my letter of (DATE) (copy attached) a sufficient case for restoration has not been made out.
- 3. This is a preliminary view. However, the application for restoration will be finally refused unless, within one month of the date of this letter, a formal request is made to this Office for a hearing. A hearing is your chance to present oral arguments in person to one of our senior officers known as a hearing officer. The hearing officer will consider the arguments carefully and will issue a formal decision which is appealable to the Patents Court. If you would like the Office to arrange a hearing you should let me know before (DATE).
- 4. Please contact me if you would like to discuss any matters raised in this letter.

Yours faithfully