

ANNEX 8a

Your reference:

Our reference:

Date

Dear Sirs

Patent Number : GB/EPXXXXXX (Proprietor)

Reference under Section XXX of the Patents Act 1977

1. Please find enclosed a copy of a decision dated xxXXxx.
2. As the decision has been in your favour, the application has been remitted to the examiner or other relevant case officer who will be in contact with you as required.

OR

2. The Patents Act 1977 gives you the right to appeal to the Patents Court (part of the High Court) against the decision if you wish to do so. The procedure for appeal is governed by Part 52 of the Civil Procedure Rules 1988 (as amended) and the associated Practice Direction. If you decide to appeal, a Notice of Appeal must be made in the appropriate format. Further details may be obtained from the High Court Appeals Office, Room WG7, West Green Building, Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL (telephone number 020 7947 7383).
3. Three copies of the Notice of Appeal must be lodged with the High Court Appeals Office (address above) together with the current fee within the time period specified in the decision. The latest date for appeal is therefore xxXXxx. **Any request for an extension to the appeal period identified in the decision must be made to the court.**
4. Once you have filed your appeal, you must send a copy of the sealed Notice of Appeal to both me and to any other party to the proceedings as soon as practicable and no later than 7 days from the date of filing the appeal.
5. I must warn you that costs, which may be large, are normally awarded against the unsuccessful party to the appeal.

A letter in identical terms is being sent to the other side.(delete as required)

Yours faithfully

Name (Hearings Clerk)
Litigation Section
Patents Directorate