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Dear Sirs

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Withdrawal of Patent Application under Section 14(9)

Thank you for your letter dated DD/MM/YYYY.

I confirm that your patent application number GB *****.* has been withdrawn as requested. The application will be advertised as being withdrawn in the Patents Journal.

The withdrawal is effective from DD/MM/YYYY.

If your withdrawal letter states that the withdrawal was done “without leaving any rights outstanding” (or words to that effect), then you can disregard the following paragraphs.

Unless you have explicitly given them up, some rights remain outstanding in the withdrawn application (in particular, the right to request correction of the withdrawal if it was done in error). Also, if you file a later application for the same subject matter, you can still claim priority from the withdrawn application.

However, if you file a later application for the same subject matter and you want that later application itself to give rise to a priority right, then any “outstanding rights” on the withdrawn application must explicitly have been given up by the time the later application is filed. Also, the withdrawn application must not have been used as the basis for a priority claim in a later application.

Yours faithfully

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