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## Your Reference:

Our Reference: 2G33/name/file reference

Date

Dear Sir

## Title in bold

- 1. Please find enclosed a copy of a decision dated XX XXX XXXX.
  - 1. Design decisions are not normally made available for public inspection in full. If parties would like the decision to be made public in a suitably redacted format please let me know within 6 weeks of the date of the decision, explaining your reasons. If the hearing officer accepts your reasoning, the decision will be made public in a suitably edited form.
  - 2. The Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1998 (as amended) gives you the right to appeal the decision to a person appointed under section 27A of the Registered Designs Act 1949 (an "Appointed Person").
  - 3. The Appointed Person is a senior intellectual property lawyer appointed by the Lord Chancellor. The Appointed Person will normally make a decision following an oral hearing which usually takes half a day; but a decision may sometimes be taken off the papers. Parties may be represented at the Appeal Hearing by a wide variety of representatives, including solicitors, trade mark attorneys and barristers (including Queen's Counsel) or they may be unrepresented.
  - 4. The appeal is a review of the Hearing Officer's decision and is not a full rehearing of the case. An appeal will only be upheld if the Appointed Person is satisfied that there has been a distinct and material error of principle in the

- Hearing Officer's decision, or that the Hearing Officer was clearly wrong. The decision may be given either orally at the Hearing or subsequently in writing.
- 5. I must warn you that costs, which may be large, are normally awarded against the unsuccessful party to the appeal.
- 6. Any appeal to the Appointed Person will need to be made on a form <u>DRF55</u>. (Please note that since this would be an appeal in respect of unregistered design right it is not necessary to enter a design number on the form.)
- 7. Any appeal to the Appointed Person must be filed on or before **XX XXX XXXX**.
- 8. A letter in identical terms is being sent to the other side.

Yours faithfully

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Your Name Tribunal Section TTMD Directorate.