<u>Annex 1</u>

Your Reference:

Our Reference: room no./name/number ref

Date

Dear Sirs

Title

1. Please find enclosed the following:

These documents have been sent to you as you are shown in the register as the proprietor of the patent – see rule 77(1) of the Patents Rules 2007. The Patents Rules are available on our website at

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-patents-rules-2007-and-patentsfees-rules-2007

Counterstatement

2. The application has been advertised for opposition in the Patents & Designs Journal xxxx dated xxXXxx and the period for filing any opposition is within four weeks from the date of publication of the Journal. Should you wish to do so, you may oppose the proceedings by filing a counterstatement (rule 77(5)). The counterstatement should be filed in duplicate and in accordance with the requirements of rule 78.

3. Your counterstatement should be filed by xxXXxx.

4. If you do not file a counterstatement, we will take it that you support the claimant's case (see rule 77(9)). However, we will not treat you as a party to the proceedings and we will not send you copies of any documents filed in connection with this matter.

Additional information

5. Further information relating to proceedings before the comptroller may be found in the enclosed booklet entitled "Patents:deciding disputes". Alternatively please contact (Name of Case Officer) on (Telephone: 01633 81xxxx)

6. A copy of this letter has been sent today to the claimants for information.

Yours faithfully

Name Section Directorate