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Reference	Application No./Patent No.
Applicant/Proprietor	

Communication pursuant to Rule 58 EPC
Invitation to remedy deficiencies in the application documents

The examination as to formal requirements prescribed in Article 90(3) and Rule 57 EPC has revealed that the above identified European patent application contains the following deficiency (deficiencies):

- Deficiency (deficiencies) in application documents filed on the date of filing
- Deficiency (deficiencies) in application documents filed by reference to a previously filed application according to Rule 40(1)(c) EPC
- Deficiency (deficiencies) in missing parts of description and/or drawings (or translation thereof) filed under Rule 56 EPC
- Deficiency (deficiencies) in claims submitted after the filing date
- Deficiency (deficiencies) in translation of the application (R. 49(1) EPC)
- Deficiency (deficiencies) in documents replacing documents making up the European patent application (R. 50(1) EPC), submitted with letter of
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- ANNEX A: Abstract and/or Request for Grant
- ANNEX B: Application documents (other than drawings)
- ANNEX C: Drawings

You are requested to remedy the deficiency (deficiencies) within **two months** after notification of this invitation **and**, if applicable, pay the additional fee for a European patent application comprising more than 35 pages (R. 38(2) EPC and Art. 2(1), 1a, Rules relating to Fees).

If the specified deficiency (deficiencies) is (are) not remedied in due time, the European patent application will be refused in accordance with Article 90(5) EPC).

If any additional fee (Art. 2(1), 1a, RFees) due after having met the formal requirements is not paid within the same period, the application will be deemed to be withdrawn (Art. 78(2) EPC).

Unless this communication refers to amended application documents filed under Rule 137(2) EPC, the description, claims and drawings may be amended only to an extent sufficient to remedy the deficiency (deficiencies) specified above.



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ANNEX A**DEFICIENCIES CONCERNING THE ABSTRACT (R. 57(d) EPC)**

- The abstract has not been filed.
- The document designated "abstract" does not belong to the application, so that the abstract has not been filed (Guidelines for Examination in the European Patent Office, A-III, 10.2).

DEFICIENCIES CONCERNING THE REQUEST FOR GRANT (R. 57(b) EPC)

- The request has not been filed on a form (enclosed) drawn up by the European Patent Office.
- The request does not identify properly the applicant's name/address/nationality/State of residence or principal place of business.
- The request does not properly indicate the name/address of the appointed representative.
- The request has not been signed by the (all) applicant(s) / the representative.
- The check list in the request form has not been (properly) completed.