November 10, 2020

Note comments due by Nov 19.

Scott C. Weidenfeller

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**Re:** **Request for Comments on Discretion to Institute Trials Before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Docket No. PTO–C–2020–0055.**

Dear Judge Weidenfeller,

As the \_\_\_(insert your title)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_(insert your company name)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_(insert City, State)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I am submitting comments on the above-captioned Request for Comments published in 85 Fed. Reg. 66502 (October 20, 2020), (“RFC”). We strongly support Director Iancu’s proposal to promulgate new regulations to help strengthen intellectual property in America. Our company has \_\_\_ employees and we develop and produce products for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program has helped fund our company. We currently have \_\_\_\_ patent assets. (you can expand more here if you desire.) and patents play a significant role in our current and future growth. Without strong patents, we cannot thrive and support the American economy.

The American Invents Act (AIA) has hurt our ability to monetize our intellectual property. Proposed new regulations by the USPTO will help mitigate some of the devastation that the AIA and other US Supreme Court decisions have wreaked upon us by hurting our ability to either license our technology or compete without large company “efficient infringers.”

We strongly support the Small Business Technology Council’s (SBTC’s) position on the proposed regulations. Please see their letter dated November 10, 2020 (attached).

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at [.com](mailto:rschmidt@CleveMed.com) or on my phone at

Sincerely,