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Patent Proprietors:
Unilever PLC
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Opponent:
The Procter & Gamble Company

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D E C I S I O N
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.3.06
of 15 July 2013

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Decision under appeal: **Decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office posted 27 December 2011 revoking European patent No. 1461411 pursuant to Article 101(3)(b) EPC.**

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: B. Czech
Members: E. Bendl
U. Tronser

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Opposition Division to revoke the European Patent No. 1 461 411, posted on 27 December 2011.
- II. The Proprietors filed a notice of appeal on 7 February 2012 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication posted on 18 May 2012, the Registry of the Board informed the Appellants that it appeared from the file that the written statement of grounds of appeal had not been filed and that it was therefore to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC. The Appellants were informed that any observations had to be filed within two months of notification of the communication.
- IV. No reply was received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided by Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, neither the notice of appeal nor any other document filed contains anything that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC and Rule 99(2) EPC. Therefore, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:

D. Magliano

B. Czech