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AZEOTROPE-LIKE COMPOSITIONS OF TETRAFLUOROPROPENE AND TRIFLUOROIODOMETHANE

Patent Proprietor:

Honeywell International Inc.

Opponent:

Arkema France

Headword:

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 101(1)

Keyword:

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D E C I S I O N of Technical Board of Appeal 3.3.10 of 24 November 2015

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Decision under appeal: Interlocutory decision of the Opposition

Division of the European Patent Office posted on 16 January 2015 concerning maintenance of the European Patent No. 1735398 in amended form.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman P. Gryczka
Members: C. Komenda

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Opposition Division of 16 January 2015.
- II. The appellant (opponent) filed a notice of appeal on 16 March 2015 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 23 July 2015, received by the appellant, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant 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 appellant was 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:



C. Rodríguez Rodríguez

P. Gryczka

Decision electronically authenticated