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Title of invention:

LOW BASIS WEIGHT WET WIPES WITH A PLEASING HAND

Patent Proprietor:

The Procter & Gamble Company

Opponent:

SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AB

Headword:

Missing statement of grounds

Relevant legal provisions:

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D E C I S I O N
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.04
of 8 September 2016

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Decision under appeal: **Decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office posted on 19 October 2015 rejecting the opposition filed against European patent No. 1761154 pursuant to Article 101(2) EPC.**

Composition of the Board:

Chairman A. de Vries
Members: J. Wright
C. Heath

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Opposition Division of 23 September 2015, posted on 19 October 2015.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 14 December 2015 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 17 March 2016, 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

1. 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.
2. 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.

3. 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:



G. Magouliotis

A. de Vries

Decision electronically authenticated