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**Title of invention:**

TRANSMISSION MODULE FOR A HYBRID DRIVE AS WELL AS DRIVE  
PROVIDED WITH THE TRANSMISSION MODULE

**Patent Proprietor:**

DTI Group B.V.

**Opponent:**

ZF Friedrichshafen AG

**Headword:**

**Relevant legal provisions:**

EPC Art. 108

EPC R. 99(2), 101(1)

**Keyword:**

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds

**Decisions cited:**

**Catchword:**



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**D E C I S I O N**  
**of Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.01**  
**of 31 July 2018**

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**Decision under appeal:** **Decision of the Opposition Division of the  
European Patent Office posted on 17 November  
2017 revoking European patent No. 2646711  
pursuant to Article 101(3)(b) EPC.**

**Composition of the Board:**

**Chairman** G. Pricolo  
**Members:** W. Marx  
P. de Heij

## **Summary of Facts and Submissions**

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Opposition Division posted on 17 November 2017.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 26 January 2018 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 17 April 2018, received by the appellant on 24 April 2018, 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, the notice of appeal contains nothing 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:



K Boelicke

G. Pricolo

Decision electronically authenticated