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**Datasheet for the decision
of 6 July 2020**

Case Number: T 0917/20 - 3.5.05

Application Number: 11788747.1

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Title of invention:

ACTIVATION CODE PROVIDED WITH DISCRETE INCREMENT OF PAPER
SUBSTRATE FOR ACTIVATING REMOTELY ACCESSIBLE PRINTER
CONTROLLER SOFTWARE

Applicant:

International Paper Company

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108
EPC R. 99(2), 101(1), 126(2)

Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds



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D E C I S I O N
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.05
of 6 July 2020

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Decision under appeal: **Decision of the Examining Division of the
European Patent Office posted on 14 October 2019
refusing European patent application No.
11788747.1 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.**

Composition of the Board:

Chair A. Ritzka
Members: E. Konak
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Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the examining division of 14 October 2019.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 16 December 2019 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 16 April 2020, receipt of which was confirmed 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 of 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 Chair:



A. Chavinier-Tomsic

A. Ritzka

Decision electronically authenticated