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Dear Ms Pauley,

Our competitor Winterwute Corp. has recently been granted a European patent (Annex 1) which could greatly affect our business. Please file an opposition in our name against this patent. You may find the following details to be of use.

On-line file inspection revealed the following about the application history of Annex 1:

#### Added subject-matter?

- During examination, claim 4 of Annex 1 was added. Originally filed claim 4 and 5 were renumbered and are now claim 5 and 6. All other parts of Annex 1, in particular claim 1-3, are as originally filed.

#### Priority issues?

- Claim 1, 2, and 5 of Annex 1 are identical to claim 1, 2, and 3, respectively, in the priority document US10/545,717. US10/545,717 does not have any other claims and does not contain paragraphs [0017] and [0018] of Annex 1. The remainder of the description and all drawings of Annex 1 are also in US10/545,717.

*Internet publication!*

Annex 2 is an excerpt from a **blog** authored by a well-known snowboard designer, Mr Sam Cauliscrest. The **content** of the blog entry of **18 September 2010** consists of paragraphs **[0001] to [0010] and figures 1 and 2** in Annex 2.

*Witness!!!*

One of our employees, Ms Dela Udenevis is a regular reader of Mr Cauliscrest's blog. She **remembers** that the blog entry of 18 September 2010 was **indeed posted** on that day. Ms Udenevis would be ready to confirm this as a **witness**. She has also told us that she remembers that Mr Cauliscrest already presented the content of said blog entry in an **oral presentation** at the **public trade fair** "Skip, Hop & Jump" in Seattle in September 2009.

Further documents (Annexes 3 to 6) are enclosed which may be useful for filing the opposition.

Regards,

Eilasio Kacez

Enclosures:

Annex 1: EP 2 364 386 B1

Annex 2: Excerpt of Internet Blog by S. Cauliscrest, Snowclone Corp.

Annex 3: J. Bigg, H. Naflinger, "Recent results on snowboard oscillation modes", in Steigen & Bergen, Journal of Managing Risk and Fun

Annex 4: EP 2 001 836 A1

Annex 5: US 6,001,618 A

Annex 6: EP 2 314 159 A1