
Remarks

These remarks are submitted in response to the Final Office Action of May 29, 2014, and is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination. At the time of the Office Action, claims 1-27 were pending. Amendments have been made to claims 1, 4, 9, 12-13, 16-17, 19 and 24-25, claim 2 has been cancelled without disclaimer or waiver, and claim 28 has been added in the present Office Action. No new matter has been added.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2 and 10 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Claims 16-27 were allowed.

II. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C § 103

Claims 1, 4, 6, 7 and 12 were rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rutfors (US 2003/0189519 A1) in view of Johnson et al. (US 2003/0189518A1).

Claim 1 incorporates claim 2. Accordingly, claims 1, 4, 6, 7 and 12 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 3, 8, 9 and 14 were rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rutfors (US 2003/0189519 A1) in view of Johnson (US 2003/0189518 A1), further in view of Ollikainen (US 2007/0285319 A1).

At least by virtue of their dependency on amended claim 1, claims 3, 8, 9 and 14 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 5 and 11 were rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rutfors (US 2003/0189519 A1) in view Johnson (US 2003/0189518 A1), further in view of Ali et al. (US 8,044,863 B2).

At least by virtue of their dependency on amended claim 1, claims 5 and 11 are in condition for allowance.

