

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-10 were pending in this application. Via this Amendment, Claims 1, 3 and 8 have been amended, Claim 2 has been cancelled, and new Claims 11-21 have been added. No new matter has been added.

Claim 1 has been rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Komori (JP 2008-230126). Claim 10 has been rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Komori in view of Akamatsu et al (JP 2010-247470). Claims 2 to 9 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were found to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating the allowability of claims 2-9. Although the Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's rejection of claims 1 and 10, in order to facilitate the allowance of all of the claims, Claim 1 has been amended to include allowable subject matter. The limitations of claim 2 have been incorporated into claim 1. New independent claim 11 includes the limitations of claims 1 and allowable claim 5. New claims 12-16 depend from claim 11. New independent claim 17 includes the limitations of claim 1 and allowable claim 9. New claims 18-21 depend from claim 17. No new matter has been added.

**Conclusion**

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephonic interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1 and 3-21, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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