

To: Senator

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Re: New University Award for Distinguished Service

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The Society of University Patent Administrators (SUPA) has been one of the most vocal groups supporting S. 414, the Bayh/Dole patent bill. SUPA represents about 400 of the largest universities in the country (including Purdue).

For this year's annual SUPA meeting in February a new award will be given out to the person who has done the most for the university community. The award will be called the "Birch" award after you in appreciation of all of your efforts to help universities and nonprofit organizations. A release will soon be sent out to the SUPA members announcing this new honor.

The first "Birch" will be given to the former SUPA president Howard Bremer who is the driving force behind the university support for S. 414.

When the SUPA announcement comes out telling about the "Birch" it would be a good opportunity for the press department to some sort of press release.