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Mr. Howard W. Bremer, Patent Counsel Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation 614 North Walnut Street Madison, Wisconsin 53705

Dear Mr. Bremer:

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As a member of the Society of University Patent Administrators, your interest in patents, the operations of the Patent and Trademark Office and our Patent System is of paramount importance. Knowledge about the above among the deans of engineering and other technical and scientific departments on college campuses is of concern to the Patent and Trademark Office.

Because of the curtailment of travel funds, we have been forced to limit the participation of PTO personnel as speakers before classes away from the Washington area. As a result of the curtailment of travel funds, the Office has developed a successful Annual Briefing Conference held here to which members of the scientific and engineering faculty of colleges and universities are invited to participate. The program during the past nine years has met with success. An average of over 25 universities each year have had representatives at these conferences including deans and faculty members.

The attached letter of invitation and a sheet for posting has been mailed to the dean of at least one school at every university in the country. Our experience has shown that the communication of information about this conference has been less than satisfactory. As an interested party in the subject matter covered, your assistance in calling this program to the attention of all those who meet with and lecture to students in the scientific and technical departments would be helpful. A copy of the 1975 ABC Program is also attached.

Commissioner Dann joins me in expressing our thanks to you for assisting in publicizing our Annual Briefing Conference.

Sincerely,

Isaac Fleischmann

Director, Office of Information Services

