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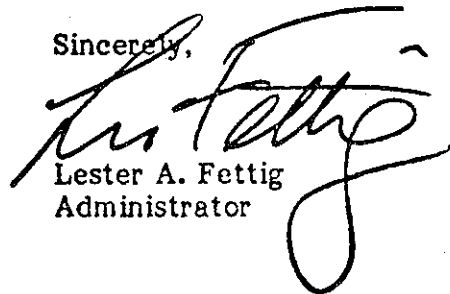
Dear Jay:

Pursuant to the authority of P.L. 93-400, I hereby request that you take necessary actions so that the final rule amending the Federal Procurement Regulation in Institutional Patent Agreements contained in the February 2, 1978 Federal Register and effective March 20, 1978, be stayed for 120 days. The purpose of this staying action is to permit further consideration of this regulation by the Executive Office of the President and certain congressional committees.

I recognize that the promulgation of the rule in February was the result of an orderly and normal process of the evolution of the regulation over several years. Unfortunately, the timing of the promulgation is premature in that both the Executive Office of the President and certain congressional committees have not completed their deliberations.

Thank you so much for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Lester A. Fettig
Administrator