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**To:** [PTABNPR2018](#)  
**Subject:** Changes to the claim construction standard  
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Dear sir/madam:

I am an inventor, patent holder, and member of ALAMO INVENTORS in SAN ANTONIO, TX. Our group is a member of the umbrella group IGA (Inventors Groups Of America) which supports stronger patent rights.

I am writing in support of proposed changes by the USPTO to the claim construction standard for interpreting claims in trial proceedings before the patent trial and appeal board. I believe that it is of the utmost importance that a fair and balanced approach be implemented, while providing greater predictability and certainty in the patent system. This will help patent holders trying to secure funding from investors. It must be clear to the investor that there is a predictable outcome, or they will place their investment elsewhere. This country was built by small inventors and the playing field must be level or innovation will be shuttered, as will our economy and the worlds.

Thank you,



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