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Interlocutory decision in Opposition proceedings (Art. 101(3)(a) and 106(2) EPC)

The Opposition Division - at the oral proceedings dated 10.06.2021 - has decided:

Account being taken of the amendments made by the patent proprietor during the opposition proceedings, the patent and the invention to which it relates are found to meet the requirements of the Convention.

The reasons for the decision are enclosed.

Documents for the maintenance of the patent as amended:

Auxiliary Request 2

Description, Paragraphs

1, 2, 5-18, 20-24, 26-30 of the patent specification
3, 4, 19, 25 filed during Oral proceedings on 10-06-2021

Claims, Numbers

1-9 filed during Oral proceedings on 10-06-2021

Drawings, Sheets

1/2, 2/2 of the patent specification

Possibility of appeal

This decision is open to appeal according to Article 106(2) EPC. Attention is drawn to the attached text of Articles 106 to 108 and Rules 97 to 98 EPC.