PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AMMONIA SYNTHESIS

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION. See Instruction Sheet on page 2.

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1. By filing this petition:

   Applicant is requesting early publication: Applicant hereby requests early publication under 37 CFR 1.219 and the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) accompanies this request.

2. By filing this petition: applicant is agreeing to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview and elect an invention that meets the eligibility requirements set forth in the notice titled "Pilot Program for Green Technologies Including Greenhouse Gas Reduction," as modified by the notice titled "Elimination of Classification Requirement in the Green Technology Pilot Program," each of which was published in the Federal Register, if the Office determines that the claims are not obviously directed to a single invention.

3. This request is accompanied by statements of special status for the eligibility requirement.

4. The application contains no more than three (3) independent claims and twenty (20) total claims.

5. The application does not contain any multiple dependent claims.

6. Other attachments: Second Preliminary Amendment

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Examiner : Brittany M. Martinez
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STATEMENT OF SPECIAL STATUS FOR THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Statement of Special Status for the Eligibility Requirement is filed pursuant to the requirements listed in PTO/SB/420, filed herewith, and pursuant to the requirements of 74 Fed. Reg. 64,666 (Dec. 8, 2009), as amended by 75 Fed. Reg. 28,554 (May 21, 2010).

A basis for the special status is that aspects of the invention materially contribute to energy conservation, namely the more efficient use and conservation of energy in the Haber-Bosch process. Another basis for the special status is that aspects of the invention materially contribute to greenhouse gas emission reduction, namely a NOx remediation system. The Applicant submits that it is clear on the above-referenced application's face that the claimed invention materially contributes to the energy conservation and/or greenhouse gas emission reduction, so no statement is required explaining how the materiality standard is met.

The application is a non-reissue, non-provisional utility application filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a). The application was previously filed before December 8, 2009. After preliminary amendment, filed herewith, the application contains no more than three (3) independent claims and twenty (20) total claims. The application does not contain any multiple dependent claims. A
first Office action (including an Office action containing only a restriction requirement) has not yet appeared in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The above-referenced application has already published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2009/0117014 A1, consequently the Applicant understands that the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.18(d) is not required to be enclosed with this petition. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 11-1410.

The Applicant respectfully requests that a favorable decision on this Petition to Make Special Under the Green Technology Pilot Program be granted and the application be accorded special status under the Green Technology Pilot Program.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 6/28/2010

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