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PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES

MSP Corporation, Nicholas C Miller, Virgil A Marple, Daryl L Roberts and Benjamin Y H Liu.

ISSUE Mention of additional inventor for patent number GB 2351155 under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER

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DECISION

- 1 Patents Form 7/77 names three inventors: Virgil A Marple, Daryl L Roberts and Benjamin Y H Liu.
- 2 MSP Corporation, the patent proprietor, made an application under section 13(1) to the effect that Nicholas C Miller should also have been named as a joint inventor. The application was filed prior to the introduction of the Patents Rules 2007 which came into force in December, the relevant provision now being rule 10(2).
- 3 Each of the three named inventors has filed written consent in support of the application by MSP Corporation. For his part, Nicholas C Miller has also confirmed that he should be named as a joint inventor. I therefore conclude that all relevant parties agree that Nicholas C Miller should be named as a joint inventor.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Nicholas C Miller should be mentioned as a joint inventor in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention and I direct, in accordance with rule 10(1) of the Patents Rules 2007, that an addendum slip mentioning him as a joint inventor be prepared for the published patent application and granted patent for the invention.

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