

PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES CompactGTL PLC, Lawrence Andrew

Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker, Vinh N Le, Michael Joseph Bowe

and John Vitucci

ISSUE Mention of additional inventors for

patent number EP (UK) 1835991

under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER S M Williams

DECISION

- 1 European Patent (UK) No. 1835991 names two inventors: Michael Joseph Bowe and John Vitucci.
- CompactGTL PLC, the patent proprietor, has filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Lawrence Andrew Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker and Vinh N Le ought also to have been named as joint inventors.
- 3 Michael Joseph Bowe and John Vitucci have confirmed in writing that they consent to the application.
- For their part, Lawrence Andrew Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker and Vinh N Le have each signed a Deed of Assignment document dated 23 January 2009. This confirms that they were co–inventors for International Patent Application No PCT/GB2006/05008 filed by CompactGTL PLC. The assignment document states that due to an unintentional oversight, Lawrence Andrew Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker and Vinh N Le were not named as inventors in the original PCT application. The application eventually entered the regional phase and subsequently proceeded to grant as EP (UK) 1835991.
- In view of the evidence and consent documents filed, I conclude that all the relevant parties agree that Lawrence Andrew Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker and Vinh N Le should be named as joint inventors.
- Accordingly I find that Lawrence Andrew Stryker, Douglas Eugene Decker and Vinh N Le should be mentioned as joint inventors along with Michael Joseph

Bowe and John Vitucci in the granted EP (UK) patent and I direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning them as such be prepared for the granted patent for the invention.

S M WILLIAMS

Head of Litigation Section acting for the Comptroller