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PARTIES	Direct Healthcare Group Limited, Jon Lewis, Grahame Jones and Graham Ewart
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventor for patent numbers GB2542221, GB2559455 & GB2578537
HEARING OFFICER	Susan Eaves

DECISION

1 Direct Healthcare Group Limited the patent proprietor, has filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Graham Ewart should have been mentioned as a joint inventor in patents GB2542221, GB2559455 and GB2578537. Jon Lewis is the currently named inventor of patents GB2578537 and GB2559455 and Jon Lewis and Grahame Jones are currently named joint inventors of patent GB2542221.

2 Direct Healthcare Group Limited the patent proprietor, Jon Lewis and Grahame Jones, have each filed written consent in support of the application. Graham Ewart has also consented to being mentioned as a joint inventor. As such the application is treated as uncontested. I therefore conclude that Graham Ewart should be named as a joint inventor.

3 Accordingly I find that Graham Ewart should be mentioned as a joint inventor in published patent applications and granted patents GB2542221, GB2559455 and GB2578537. I therefore direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip be prepared to reflect this for the published patent applications and granted patents accordingly.

SUSAN EAVES
B3 Tribunals Technical Co-ordinator, acting for the Comptroller