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Datasheet for the decision of 7 April 2011

Case Number:	T 2122/10 - 3.3.10	
Application Number:	05740685.2	
Publication Number:	1748802	
IPC:	A61L 9/12	
Language of the proceedings:	EN	
Title of invention: Air-freshener for a vehicle		
Applicant: The Procter & Gamble Company		
Opponent: -		
Headword:		
Relevant legal provisions: EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 101(1)		
Relevant legal provisions (EPC 1973): -		
Keyword: "Missing statement of grounds"		
Decisions cited: -		
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Case Number: T 2122/10 - 3.3.10

DECISION of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.3.10 of 7 April 2011

Appellant:	The Procter & Gamble Company One Procter and Gamble Plaza Cincinnati Ohio 45202 (US)
Representative:	Morelle, Evelyne Charlotte Isabelle N.V. Procter & Gamble Services Company S.A. Temselaan 100 B-1853 Strombeek-Bever (BE)
Decision under appeal:	Decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office posted 3 May 2010 refusing European patent application No. 05740685.2 pursuant to Article 97(1) EPC 1973.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman:	P. Gryczka
Members:	C. Komenda
	JP. Seitz

Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. This is an appeal against the refusal of European patent application No. 05740685.2 posted 3 May 2010.

> A notice of appeal on behalf of the applicant appellant was filed by a letter received on 29 June 2010. The appeal fee was paid on the same day. No separate statement of grounds of appeal was filed.

II. By a communication dated 20 October 2010 sent by registered letter with advice of delivery, the appellant was informed that no statement of grounds of appeal had been filed and that, therefore, it was to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC. The appellant was invited to file observations within two months. The appellant did not reply to said communication, and no request for re-establishment of rights was filed.

Reasons for the Decision

As no written statement setting out the grounds of appeal has been filed and as the notice of appeal does not contain anything that could be regarded as a statement of grounds of appeal according to Article 108 EPC, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Article 108 EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC)

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar

The Chairman

C. Rodríguez Rodríguez

P. Gryczka