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T 2209/12 - 3.4.03 Case Number:

Application Number: 04750530.0

Publication Number: 1618546

IPC: G09G 3/36

Language of the proceedings:

Title of invention:

Display system with frame buffer and power saving sequence

Applicant:

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

Headword:

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108

EPC R. 99(2), 101(1)

Keyword:

"Missing statement of grounds of appeal"

Decisions cited:

Catchword:



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DECISION

of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.4.03 of 4 February 2013

Appellant: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the

European Patent Office posted 23 April 2012

refusing European patent application

No. 04750530.0 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

T. Karamanli

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. This is an appeal against the refusal of European patent application No. 04750530 posted 23 April 2012.

A notice of appeal on behalf of the applicant appellant was filed on 3 July 2012. The appeal fee was paid on the same day. No separate statement of grounds of appeal was filed.

- II. By a communication dated 23 October 2012 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.
- III. No answer has been given to the communication within the time limit. 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, third sentence, and Rule 99(2) EPC, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Article 108, third sentence, 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

S. Sánchez Chiquero

G. Eliasson