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Bezeichnung der Erfindung: Start-up procedure for reforming catalysts

Title of invention:

Titre de l'invention :

Klassifikation / Classification / Classement : C 10 G 35/22

### ENTSCHEIDUNG / DECISION

vom / of / du 5 March 1986

Anmelder / Applicant / Demandeur : MOBIL OIL CORPORATION

Patentinhaber / Proprietor of the patent /  
Titulaire du brevet :

Einsprechender / Opponent / Opposant :

Stichwort / Headword / Référence :

EPÜ / EPC / CBE Article 108, Rule 65(1)

"inadmissible appeal", "no Statement of Grounds"

Leitsatz / Headnote / Sommaire



Case Number: T 197/ 85

**DECISION**  
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.3.1  
of 5 March 1986

**Appellant:** MOBIL OIL CORPORATION  
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**Decision under appeal:** Decision of Examining Division 029 of the European Patent  
Office dated 22 January 1985 refusing European patent  
application No 81 301 075.8 pursuant to Article 97(1)  
EPC

**Composition of the Board:**

Chairman: K. Jahn

Member: G. Szabo

Member: C. Payraudeau

SUMMARY OF FACTS

- I By letter received on 14 March 1985 the appellant gave notice of appeal against the Decision of the Examining Division 029 of the European Patent Office dated 22 January 1985 refusing the European patent application No. 81 301 075.8 under the provisions of Article 97(1) EPC.
- II No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within four months after the date of notification of the decision in conformity with Article 108 EPC. By a communication sent by registered post on 13 August 1985, the Registrar of the Board of Appeal drew attention to this omission and advised the appellant that it was accordingly to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible. The appellant was invited to file observations on this communication within a period of two months.
- III No observations on this communication were received from the appellant within that time limit.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

As no written statement setting out the grounds of appeal has been filed in conformity with Article 108 EPC, last sentence, the provisions of Rule 65(1) EPC require the Board to reject this appeal as inadmissible.

ORDER

It is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

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The Chairman:

*K. Jahn*

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