Datasheet for the decision of 17 January 2007

Case Number: T 0967/06 - 3.2.05
Application Number: 01302446.8
Publication Number: 1157818
IPC: B31F 1/14
Language of the proceedings: EN
Title of invention: Creping blade, creped paper and method of manufacturing paper
Applicant: GEORGIA-PACIFIC CORPORATION
Opponent: -
Headword: -
Relevant legal provisions: EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 65(1)
Keyword: "Missing statement of grounds"
Decisions cited: -
Catchword: -
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DEcision of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.05
of 17 January 2007

Appellant: GEORGIA-PACIFIC CORPORATION
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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office posted 18 November 2005 refusing European application No. 01302446.8 pursuant to Article 97(1) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: W. Zellhuber
Members: P. Michel
          C. Rennie-Smith
Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appeal contests the decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office posted 18 November 2005 refusing the European patent application No. 01 302 446.8.

The Appellant filed a notice of appeal by letter received on 18 January 2006 and paid the fee for appeal on the same date. No Statement of Grounds was filed. The notice of appeal contains nothing that could be regarded as a Statement of Grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC.

II. By a communication dated 26 July 2006 sent by registered letter with advice of delivery, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that no statement of grounds had been filed and that the appeal could be expected to be rejected as inadmissible. The appellant was invited to file observations within two months and attention was drawn to Article 122 EPC and Rule 84a EPC.

III. No answer to the Registry's communication has been received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal has been filed, and the notice of appeal contains nothing that could be regarded as a Statement of Grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC. Consequently the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Rule 65(1) EPC in conjunction with Article 108 EPC, third sentence.

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Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:     The Chairman:

D. Meyfarth       W. Zellhuber