Datasheet for the decision
of 8 October 2019

Case Number: T 0783/19 - 3.2.01
Application Number: 08864311.9
Publication Number: 2238012
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Language of the proceedings: EN

Title of invention:
INTEGRATED REINFORCING CROSSMEMBER

Patent Proprietor:
Sika Technology AG

Opponent:
L & L Products Europe S.A.S.

Headword:

Relevant legal provisions:
EPC Art. 108
EPC R. 99(2), 101(1)

Keyword:
Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds
Decisions cited:

Catchword:
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DECISION
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.01
of 8 October 2019

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office posted on 17 January 2019 rejecting the opposition filed against European patent No. 2238012 pursuant to Article 101(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:
Chairman: G. Pricolo
Members: S. Mangin
O. Loizou
Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Opposition Division posted on 17 January 2019.

II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 14 March 2019 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.

III. By communication of 11 June 2019, received by the appellant, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that it appeared from the file that the written statement of grounds of appeal had not been filed, and that it was therefore 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 informed that any observations had to be filed within two months of notification of the communication.

IV. No reply was received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided by Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, the notice of appeal does not contain anything that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC and Rule 99(2) EPC. Therefore, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC).
Order

*For these reasons it is decided that:*

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar: The Chairman:

A. Vottner G. Pricolo

Decision electronically authenticated