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Dear Mr Simmons,

As a member of the Free software/Open Source community and the general software development industry, I support the ACIP's recommendation to abolish the innovation patent system.

The scheme has been an abject failure, it fails to promote innovation in any sense and actively stalls innovation as it allows others to push out competition before they even have a chance to produce true innovation.

This is a system that serves no purpose and is no longer needed, the only excuse is to pressure a system because of legacy and that is not a decent reason in any manner.

Yours sincerely,  
Michael Verrenkamp

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