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Hello,

This email is in response to Request for Comments on Additional USPTO Satellite Offices for the Nationwide Workforce Program.

I think it would be most beneficial to both the American economy, US businesses and massive number of small inventors, myself included, that would greatly appreciate from a USPTO office in the center of Silicon Valley, Mountain View, California.

This location is dead center of all the invention activity all major technology companies have with a major presence here in Mountain View, or they have discreet offices here that they use to interface with other technology companies quietly and without notice.

The area is also the world's greatest concentration of new and successful inventors in all of the new technology areas that are booming right now.

Since the area has recently seen a major real estate recession, real estate prices are down, there are many employable persons who would serve as a superior workforce, with experience levels far beyond what you would find in any other region of the US. They would serve to offer you higher quality and more efficient service that you can get elsewhere.

I know that in my own experience, I have been in high tech for 34 years, it has always been a hassle to have to send people to Washington to deal with patent and trademark issues and processes, which incur a lot of time penalties and missed deadlines. Many times we give up with the process, and go to market without patent protection because the current system is excessively burdensome, which of course backfires on us because other companies in other countries are all too eager to copy our hard work and undercut American businesses in the market, because they have no development costs to recoup. An office right here in Mountain View would allow us to stay on top of the process, maintain protection for our innovations and keep American businesses fully employed here at home.

In summation, I recommend locating a major USPTO office in Mountain View California to better serve the area with highest innovation activity in the world.

Thank you,  
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