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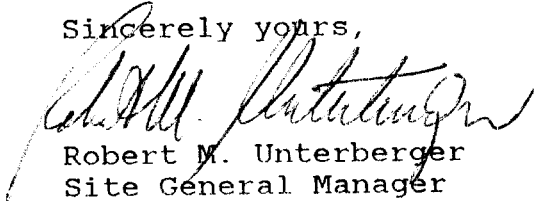Subject: ANSI PATENT POLICY (SD-9 Section 1.6)

Dear Mr. Rockwell,

IBM has participated in the generation of the draft proposal
for a 90MM Optical Disk Data Storage Standard (X3B11/89-120).
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