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SIIA COMMENDS ADMINISTRATION'S SUPPORT FOR THE PATENT REFORM ACT OF 2009, S.515

WASHINGTON, DC (October 6, 2009) – In response to Commerce Secretary Gary Locke writing a views [letter](#) on the need for landmark patent reform legislation and in support of the Patent Reform Act of 2009, S. 515, Mark Bohannon, General Counsel for the Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) commended the action and issued the following statement:

“SIIA is very pleased with the Administration’s clear support of meaningful patent reform legislation, and endorsement of S. 515, the Patent Reform Act of 2009. As Secretary Locke effectively put it, we must work to improve the quality of patents and address litigation abuses, both are essential elements of a robust, pro-innovation patent system for the 21st century.

“We look forward to working with the Administration, the Senate, and the House to address these issues and to enact landmark patent reform in this Congress. “

About SIIA

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