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IBM STATEMENT ON AMERICA INVENTS ACT

Christopher A. Padilla, IBM Vice President of Government Programs, today released the following statement on the America Invents Act:

"We are very pleased that Chairman Lamar Smith and his colleagues today have achieved a reasonable compromise on the fee diversion provision, clearing the path for House floor consideration of the America Invents Act. As the leading recipient of U.S. patents for 18 consecutive years, IBM strongly supports the legislation and urges speedy passage on the House floor."

- Christopher A. Padilla, IBM Vice President of Government Programs

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