IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Mark: **PAINTINFO**

Applicant: NACE International Institute

Appl. No.: 88/128687

Attorney Ref.: 119841-436555

RESPONSE

The following is in response to the Office Action issued August 9, 2019.

I. <u>Declaration to Perfect Application and Filing Basis</u>

Applicant hereby submits a signed Declaration to Perfect Application, establishing the filing basis.

II. <u>Attorney Bar Information</u>

Applicant submits the required attorney bar information.

III. Amendment to Identification of Goods/Services

Applicant hereby **amends** the identification of goods and services as follows:

Class 42: Providing a website featuring information regarding specification standards relating to painting, **application of interior and exterior coatings to buildings**, and wall coverings

IV. The Mark Has Acquired Distinctiveness based on Use

Applicant respectfully submits a claim of acquired distinctiveness under Section 2(f) for Applicant's Mark, by reason of Applicant's substantially exclusive and continuous use of the mark since at least as early as May 1996.

Conclusion

Having addressed all of the issues raised in the Office Action, Application respectfully requests that the Examining Attorney approve the Application for publication in the *Official Gazette* for oppositions purposes without delay.