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SIMPSON STRONG-TIE COMPANY INC., Petitioner,

v.

COLUMBIA INSURANCE COMPANY, Patent Owner.

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Before SCOTT A. DANIELS, NEIL T. POWELL, and STEPHEN E. BELISLE, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

BELISLE, Administrative Patent Judge.

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Final Written Decision
Determining All Challenged Claims Unpatentable
Granting-in-Part Patent Owner's Revised Contingent Motion to Amend
35 U.S.C. § 328(a)



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	sheathing mounted thereon, the hanger comprising:"	. 35
b)	"a channel-shaped portion configured to receive the structural component, the channel-shaped portion including a base sized and shaped for receiving an end of the structural component thereon to support the structural component, and side panels extending upward from the base generally perpendicular to the base, the side panels having rearward edges lying in a rear edge plane;"	. 37
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e)	"the extension portion spacing the side panels from the back flange plane by a distance sized large enough to permit two layers of 5/8 inch thick sheathing to be received between the rear edge plane and the back flange plane, but too small to permit three layers of 5/8 inch thick sheathing to be received between the rear edge plane and the back flange plane."	. 56



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