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(54) **Polymeric bonded metal magnet with corrosion resistant metal particles.**

(57) A highly stable, non-pyrophoric, highly corrosion resistant magnetic powder provided by treating magnetic particles with a solution containing chromate or dichromate ions and polymeric magnets containing the powder.

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CLAIMS INCURRING FEES

The present European patent application comprised at the time of filing more than ten claims.

- ☐ All claims fees have been paid within the prescribed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for all claims.
- ☐ Only part of the claims fees have been paid within the prescribed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for the first ten claims and for those claims for which claims fees have been paid,
namely claims:
- ☐ No claims fees have been paid within the prescribed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for the first ten claims.

LACK OF UNITY OF INVENTION

The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions,
namely:

1. Claims 1-9,16-19: non-pyrophoric permanent magnetic alloy powder and method of manufacturing
2. Claims 10-15: a polymeric magnetic composition
3. Claims 20,21: a compound capable of being used in an injection molding apparatus and permanent magnet therefrom
4. Claim 22: a flexible magnet

- ☐ All further search fees have been paid within the fixed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for all claims.
- ☐ Only part of the further search fees have been paid within the fixed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for those parts of the European patent application which relate to the inventions in respect of which search fees have been paid,
namely claims:
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namely claims: 1-9,16-19