



## PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES                    Dr Ing H.C.F. Porsche Aktiengesellschaft, Hans-  
Jurgen Schmitt, Josip Vlahovic, Felix Hermann and  
Dominik Beierl

ISSUE                     Mention of additional inventor for patent number  
GB2471004

HEARING OFFICER         Andrew Bushell

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### DECISION

- 1    Patents Form 7/77 names one inventor: Hans-Jurgen Schmitt.
- 2    Dr Ing H.C.F. Porsche Aktiengesellschaft, the patent proprietor, has filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Josip Vlahovic, Felix Hermann and Dominik Beierl should also have been named as joint inventors.
- 3    A declaration filed to add Hans-Jurgen Schmitt as an inventor on German patent application 102009025446, from which GB2471004 claims priority, has been provided as evidence for this application. Hans-Jurgen Schmitt has filed written consent in support of the German declaration. For their part, Josip Vlahovic, Felix Hermann and Dominik Beierl, have also confirmed in writing they should be named as joint inventors on the German application.
- 4    In a statement dated 29 October 2013, the patent proprietor's attorney, Mr Robin Oxley of Marks & Clerk LLP, confirmed the inventions described in the German priority application 102009025446 and patent number GB2471004 are in substance the same. On this basis I conclude that all relevant parties agree that Josip Vlahovic, Felix Hermann and Dominik Beierl should be named as joint inventors in respect of the invention covered by patent number GB2471004.

- 5 Accordingly I find that Josip Vlahovic, Felix Hermann and Dominik Beierl should be mentioned as joint inventors in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention. I therefore direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning them as such be prepared for the published patent application and granted patent for the invention.

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B3 Head of Litigation, acting for Comptroller