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In response to the Office Action of 10/26/01, please amend the application as indicated below.

Please add claims 101-120 as follows:

5 101. The method of claim 97 with feedback data. 3

6 102. The method of claim 97 with feedback data. 3

7 103. The method of claim 102 with monitoring the actual response to a proposed informon. 6

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Terminal Disclaimer

I, Jeffrey M. Snider, residing at 400-2 Totten Pond Rd,
Waltham, Massachusetts, state that I am a representative authorized to sign on behalf of Lycos, Inc., identified below as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patent application, U.S. Serial No.-09/204,149. I have reviewed all the evidentiary documents accompanying or referred to in the instant Terminal Disclaimer and certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified application is in the name of Lycos, Inc.

'420 Terminal Disclaimer (April 30, 2001)