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Hello. My name is Ian Dees.

As an engineer at a technology company, I am writing to ask you to exclude software from patent eligibility. Like mathematics, software consists of truths, not products or processes. Software is indeed a creative, innovative field, but the appropriate protection for it is copyright, not patents. By stifling innovation and increasing development costs, software patents have had a detrimental effect on the computer industry and, worse, on the individual consumer.

Sincerely,

Ian Dees