



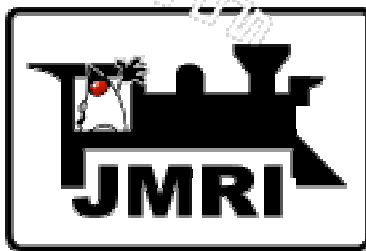
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Dear Mr. Russell:

The JMRI project is committed to the appropriate and legal use of intellectual property, both ours and that belonging to others.

In response to your letter of March 8, 2005, we have examined the JMRI code in the light of your statements. We were unable to locate any functionality that infringes on valid claims in U.S. Patent 6,530,329 B2.

We request that you provide us with the results of your preliminary analysis of the JMRI software in sufficient detail that we can determine how best to proceed. It would be most helpful if you could indicate the particular software modules that you think infringe. For your reference, the entire software source code is available at <http://sourceforge.net/projects/jmri> and additional design documentation is available via <http://jmri.sourceforge.net>.

We look forward to resolving this.

Sincerely,

Bob Jacobsen