Jacobsen Declaration
Exhibit J
Mr Kratzer and I have had a short exchange of emails on the topic of his patents. As a result, I have chosen to remove my loconetd and railroad servers and client apps from my website. Mr Kratzer forwarded a FAQ on his technology licensing that contained a list of questions to aid in determining whether others' efforts could be infringing on his patents; some are specific but in my opinion others appear to be general enough to cover most of the software development activity discussed on this list. As I don't have the resources to consult a patent attorney in this matter, I've taken a conservative approach to protecting myself.

I find it disappointing to have to do this, especially to protect the rights to exclusively use what, in my opinion, appear to be simple extensions of what I used to teach in undergraduate computer science. However, I don't think it's worth fighting when that time could be spent building my layout, money could be spent on the brass D&RGW K-37 I so dearly covet... :D

Goodbye, and thanks for all the fish!
Glenn Butcher