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I believe the PTO will be making a grave error by eliminating paper files. The most expeditious way to perform many searches is by visual inspection of the patent drawing. In addition, word matching searches are frequently ineffective because the searcher and the patent application drafter do not use the same terms. If the paper files were eliminated searches relying on the patent drawing could not be performed.

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