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Subject: Peerless transformers, trademarks and intellectual property rights

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Manualblock started a thread on the Group Build forum about an amplifier design. But it used a Peerless transformer or a clone, I'm not exactly sure which yet. What I do know is that it prompted a discussion about intellectual property rights and what not. Peerless transformers I could see pretty early on that it was a sensitive issue, and probably might be better discussed here. It certainly didn't have anything to do with an amplifier build or circuit design. So I thought about responding here to start off with, and probably should have right from the start. I am sympathetic to Mike or anyone else that works hard to build a company, product or trade name. So I'm definitely interested in what he has to say, and I'm concerned about the IP issues we've been talking about. But I also know that Douglas has been pretty supportive of everyone on this website, and has offered some very valuable assistance and good designs. I think he probably has the right to call his transformers Peerless or Peerless clones, unless some legal arrangement has been made that I'm not aware of. I guess I'm of two minds on this deal and hope everyone comes to good terms.

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