RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records retention and disposal is in accordance with the series records schedules.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Office of the Solicitor, Mail Stop 8, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Information about the records contained in this system may be obtained by sending a request in writing, signed, to the system manager at the address above or to the address provided in 37 CFR part 102 subpart B for making inquiries about records covered by the Privacy Act. Requesters should provide their name, address, and record sought (including date(s) of testimony or interview, if known) in accordance with the procedures for making inquiries appearing in 37 CFR part 102 subpart B.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests from individuals should be addressed as stated in the notification section above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The general provisions for access, contesting contents, and appealing initial determinations by the individual concerned appear in 37 CFR part 102 subpart B. Requests from individuals should be addressed as stated in the notification section above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Subject individual, the individual's co-workers, and those authorized by the individual to furnish information.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

Dated: March 26, 2013.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of amendment of Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974,

as amended, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is amending the system of records currently listed under "COMMERCE/PAT-TM-13 Petitioners for License to File for Foreign Patents." This action is being taken to update the Privacy Act notice. We invite the public to comment on the amendments noted in this publication.

DATES: Written comments must be received no later than May 1, 2013. The amendments will become effective as proposed on May 1, 2013, unless the USPTO receives comments that would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

- Email: Raul.Tamayo@uspto.gov. Include "Privacy Act PAT-TM-13 comment" in the subject line of the message.
- *Fax:* (571) 273–7728, marked to the attention of Raul Tamayo.
- Mail: Raul Tamayo, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.
- Federal Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.

All comments received will be available for public inspection at the Federal rulemaking portal located at www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Raul

Tamayo, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450, (571) 272–7728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is giving notice of an amendment to a system of records that is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974. This system of records maintains information on patent applicants and their authorized representatives who request a license to file a patent application in a foreign country. The Privacy Act notice is being updated with the current address and departmental information for the system location and system manager. The routine uses of records maintained in the system have been updated to include use in law enforcement, audits and oversight activities, and distribution to contractors, all uses commonly published in other agency system of records notices. The descriptions of storage, retrievability, and safeguards

have been revised to reflect current database practices. The rule references for the notification procedure and contesting record procedures have been updated to correspond to the current statutes and rules for those items as related to the USPTO.

The amended Privacy Act system of records notice, "COMMERCE/PAT-TM-13 Petitioners for License to File for Foreign Patents," is published in its entirety below.

COMMERCE/PAT-TM-13

SYSTEM NAME:

Petitioners for License to File for Foreign Patents.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Patent Examining Operation, Technology Center 3600, United States Patent and Trademark Office, 501 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Petitioners for license to file a patent application in any foreign country.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Petitioner's name, address, and description of subject matter, or, where a corresponding U.S. application has been filed, identification of applicant, application serial number, filing date, title to invention, applicant's address and addresses of applicant's duly appointed representatives.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

35 U.S.C. 1, 6, and 184.

PURPOSE(S):

To carry out the duties of the USPTO to grant and issue patents, including the requirements for authorizing the filing of a patent application in a foreign country under 35 U.S.C. 184.

Routine uses of records maintained in the system, including categories of users and the purposes of such uses:

- (1) Routine uses will include disclosure for law enforcement purposes to the appropriate agency or other authority, whether federal, state, local, foreign, international or tribal, charged with the responsibility of enforcing, investigating, or prosecuting a violation of any law, rule, regulation, or order in any case in which there is an indication of a violation or potential violation of law (civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature).
- (2) Routine uses will include disclosure to an agency, organization, or individual for the purpose of performing audit or oversight operations as

authorized by law, but only such information as is necessary and relevant to such audit or oversight function.

- (3) Routine uses will include disclosure to contractors and their agents, grantees, experts, consultants, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other work assignment for the United States Patent and Trademark Office, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records. Individuals provided information under this routine use are subject to the same Privacy Act requirements and limitations on disclosure as are applicable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office employees.
- (4) Routine uses will also include the Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses Nos. 1–5, 8–10, and 13, as found at 46 FR 63501–63502 (December 31, 1981).

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

Not applicable.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Paper copy and electronic storage media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

By number assigned (called P or R number) or by serial number, title of invention, applicant information or docket number, if any. Records are stored in a searchable database.

SAFEGUARDS:

Buildings employ security guards. Records are maintained in areas accessible only to authorized personnel who are properly screened, cleared, and trained. Where information is retrievable by computer, all safeguards appropriate to secure the system (hardware and software) are utilized.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records retention and disposal is in accordance with the series records schedules.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director, Patent Examining Technology Center 3600, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

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RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Subject individuals or their duly appointed representatives.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

Dated: March 26, 2013.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary [Docket ID DoD-2013-OS-0068]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, DoD

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 31, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal **Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http:// www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information. Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at http:// www.regulations.gov for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to: the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, ATTN: CPO (Colonel Phil Waite), 1400 Defense, The Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1400, or call the Directorate for Community and Public Outreach at (703) 695–3845.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Request for Armed Forces Participation in Public Events (Non-Aviation), DD Form 2536 and Request for Military Aerial Support, DD Form 2535; OMB Number 0704–0290.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is necessary to evaluate the eligibility of events to receive Armed Forces community relations support and to determine whether requested military assets are available.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal governments; Federal agencies or employees; for-profit and non-profit institutions; and individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 17,850.