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Madam,
Sir,

Modifications of the Administrative Instructions Under the PCT

*Standard for the Electronic Filing and Processing
of International Applications: Modifications of Appendix I of Annex F*

1. This Circular concerns modifications of Appendix I of Annex F of the Administrative Instructions under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) to be promulgated with effect from November 1, 2005.
2. Part 7 and Annex F of the Administrative Instructions containing, respectively, the legal framework and the technical standard for electronic filing and processing of international applications, entered into force on January 7, 2002 (see *PCT Gazette* S-04/2001 dated December 27, 2001). Those provisions have since been modified on several occasions. The consolidated texts of Part 7, Annex F and Appendix I of Annex F, as well as any further modifications of these texts, are available on WIPO's web site at <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.htm>.
3. The present modifications are based on PCT/EF/PFC 05/001 and 002 files, which are available on WIPO's web site at http://www.wipo.int/pct/efiling_standard/en/index.html. The International Bureau took into account all comments received after consultation under Rule 89.2(b) of the Regulations under the PCT, in accordance with the change procedure provided for in section 2.5.5 of Annex F (expedited consideration of proposals for change), with the national and regional patent Offices of, or acting for, all PCT Contracting States, with PCT International Authorities and with interested intergovernmental organizations, as well as with certain non-governmental organizations representing users of the PCT system (see Circular C. PCT 1043, dated July 25, 2005).

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4. Following that consultation, sections 3.4 (Declarations) and 5.7 (IB publication) of Appendix I of Annex F are modified. The text of these modifications is set out in document PCT/AI/DTD/2 Rev.1, which is available on WIPO's web site at <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.htm>. A consolidated version of Appendix I of Annex F is also published on WIPO's web site as document PCT/AI/DTD/3. Paper copies of this document are available from the International Bureau upon request.

5. The modifications will be promulgated in *PCT Gazette* No. 43/2005 on October 27, 2005, with effect from November 1, 2005.

Sincerely yours,



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