

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN INTERNATIONAL (PCT) APPLICATION FOR PATENT DESIGNATING THE U.S. ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)

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International (PCT) Application No.: _____ U.S. Application No. (if known): _____

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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION.

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Proper reply;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee which is required for all international applications having an international filing date before June 8, 1995; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee

Small entity fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant asserts small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Micro entity fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant certifies micro entity status. See 37 CFR 1.29. Form PTO/SB/15A or B or equivalent must either be enclosed or have been submitted previously.

Undiscounted fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)).

2. Proper reply

The proper reply (the missing requirement(s)) in the form of

_____ (identify the type of reply):

has been filed previously on _____.

is enclosed herewith.

3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

Since this international application has an international filing date on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d) of \$ _____) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.137(a). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11, 1.14 and 41.6. This collection is estimated to take 1 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. **SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

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4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

Petitioner is reminded that a delay resulting from a deliberately chosen course of action on the part of the applicant does not become an "unintentional" delay within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.137 because:

- the applicant does not consider the claims to be patentable over the references relied upon in an outstanding Office action;
- the applicant does not consider the allowed or patentable claims to be of sufficient breadth or scope to justify the financial expense of obtaining a patent;
- the applicant does not consider any patent to be of sufficient value to justify the financial expense of obtaining the patent;
- the applicant does not consider any patent to be of sufficient value to maintain an interest in obtaining the patent; or
- the applicant remains interested in eventually obtaining a patent, but simply seeks to defer patent fees and patent prosecution expenses.

Petitioner is further reminded that an intentional delay resulting from a deliberate course of action chosen by the applicant is not affected by:

- the correctness of the applicant's (or applicant's representative's) decision to abandon the application or not to seek or persist in seeking revival of the application;
- the correctness or propriety of a rejection, or other objection, requirement, or decision by the Office; or
- the discovery of new information or evidence, or other change in circumstances subsequent to the abandonment or decision not to seek or persist in seeking revival.

NOTE: Where the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) is filed more than two years after the date the application became abandoned, the United States Patent and Trademark Office requires an additional explanation of the circumstances surrounding the delay that establishes the entire delay was unintentional. This requirement is in addition to the requirement to provide a statement that the entire delay was unintentional. See *Clarification of the Practice for Requiring Additional Information in Petitions Filed in Patent Applications and Patents Based on Unintentional Delay*, 85 FR 12222 (March 2, 2020). See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(C)-(F) for additional guidance on the information required to establish that the entire delay was unintentional.

- Because this petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) is being filed more than two years after the date the application became abandoned, additional explanation of the circumstances surrounding the delay that establishes the entire delay was unintentional is enclosed herewith.

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Enclosures:

- Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m)
- Reply and/or fee
- Terminal Disclaimer Form
- Additional sheet(s) containing statements establishing unintentional delay
- Other (please identify): _____

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