



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. PCT- 2014- 03

TO : All Concerned

SUBJECT : Establishment of New Equivalent Amounts in USD of PCT Fees

DATE : December 19, 2014

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has announced that new equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and fee reductions in USD have been established. The new amounts, applicable from January 1, 2015, read as follows:

PCT Fee	Previous Amount	New Amount
International filing fee	USD 1,471	USD 1,384
Fee per sheet in excess of 30	USD 17	USD 16
PCT-EASY filing reduction	USD 111	USD 104
Electronic filing reduction – the request not in character coded format	USD 111	USD 104
Electronic filing reduction – the request in character coded format	USD 221	USD 208
Electronic filing reduction – the request, description, claims, and abstract are in character coded format	USD 332	USD 312

Further, new amounts have been established for the search fees charged by the International Searching Authorities and the handling fee payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authorities for the benefit of the International Bureau, respectively. The new amounts, applicable from January 1, 2015, are as follows:

Search Fee	Previous Amount	New Amount
Australian Patent Office	USD 1,972	USD 1,925
European Patent Office	USD 2,545	USD 2,366
Japan Patent Office	USD 673	USD 642
Korean Intellectual Property Office	USD 1,212	USD 1,219

Handling Fee	Previous Amount	New Amount
Australian Patent Office	AUD 237	AUD 238
European Patent Office	EUR 163	EUR 165
Japan Patent Office	JPY 23,300	JPY 22,700
United States Patent and Trademark Office	USD 221	USD 208

- The new amounts were published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) on November 27, 2014.

For your information and guidance.



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Noted:



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