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Patents (General) (Amendment) Rules 2002

(Made under section 149 of the Patents Ordinance (Cap. 514))

1. Commencement

These Rules shall come into operation on the day appointed for the commencement of section 5 of the Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2001 (2 of 2001).

2. Request to record a designated patent application under section 15 of the Ordinance

Section 8(2)(c)(iv) of the Patents (General) Rules (Cap. 514 sub. leg.) is repealed and the following substituted---

"(iv) the publication number (if any) assigned to the designated patent application by the designated patent office, and the date (if any) of its publication by the designated patent office;".

3. Applications for the grant of short-term patents under section 113 of the Ordinance

Section 58(2) is amended by repealing everything after "invention" and substituting---

"and include the following---

(a) a description of the invention;

(b) one or more claims but not exceeding one independent claim;

(c) any drawings referred to in the description or the claim or claims.".

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Explanatory Note

These Rules amend the Patents (General) Rules (Cap. 514 sub. leg.).

2. Section 8(2)(c)(iv) is amended to correspond to section 5 of the Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2001 (2 of 2001), in order to provide for cases where the designated patent application concerned has no publication number or date of publication.

3. Section 58(2) is amended to allow an invention's title, description, claims and drawings to be provided in any order in the specification on an application for the grant of a short-term patent.