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A request for information under Section 194 (C) of the Patents Act 1990 should be made in the approved form and be accompanied by the prescribed fee. The request should be as detailed as possible.

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All requests for information from Register of Patents, Trade Marks or Designs, should be made in writing and accompanied by the prescribed fee. The Registers are located in Canberra and may be examined free of charge.

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For a listing of country codes used by IP Australia please refer to the Official Journals dated 7 November 1996.

ABBREVIATIONS IN JOURNAL

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- Documents which are available for purchase under the Patents Act 1990, the Trade Marks Act 1995 or Designs Act 2003 or Plant Breeder's Rights Act 1994 are not available under the Freedom of Information Act (Section 12 refers).

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Requests for documents should be addressed to IP Australia, PO Box 200 Woden, ACT 2606, or Faxed to 02 6283 7999

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- All decisions of the Commissioner and Registrars are available free of charge from AUSTLII's website www.austlii.edu.au

Copies of all written Patent and Design decisions are available (except if they would not be available under the provisions of the Freedom of Information legislation, e.g. if they would effectively disclose matter from documents that are not open to public inspection) on request for a cost of \$AU 25. They are also available for inspection in indexed volume series, dating from 1 January 1987, in the Office library, Canberra.

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- Copies of the taped record of Patent and Design hearings are available (with the same exception as above) on request.
- When a written decision is issued the fact of the decision plus a brief head note will be published in the Official Notices section of the next available Patents, Trade Marks or Designs Journal.

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Hearings before the Commissioner of Patents will usually be conducted at the Patent Office in Canberra and interstate hearing sessions are not provided. However, the Commissioner will conduct hearings outside of Canberra at a convenient time to all parties provided that the parties bear the travel costs of the hearing officer.

The various options for hearings are set out in the document "Options for Hearings" available on IP Australia's website at: www.ipaustralia.gov.au/pdfs/patents/optionsforhearings.PDF

HEARINGS BEFORE THE REGISTRARS OF TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS

Hearings before the Registrars of Trade Marks and Designs will be set down in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Perth and Brisbane during the periods indicated below.

Designs and Trade Marks Hearings Sessions 2007

Melbourne	5 - 9 March 4 - 8 June 17 - 21 September
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Adelaide	16 - 17 July
Perth	19 - 20 August
Brisbane	26 - 27 August

Persons who desire matters to be set down for hearing in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Perth or Brisbane must give at least one month's notice of their intention to be heard. If such notice is not given, it may be that there would be insufficient time to allow for the execution of official procedures associated with the listing of hearings, and as a result, the matter involved might not be listed.

Subject to the convenience of this Office, hearings will be set down in Canberra at any time suitable to the parties.

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GUIDE TO THE USE OF THIS JOURNAL

The Australian Official Journal of Patents (AOJP) reports all major events and actions which take place during the life cycle of an Australian patent and provides certain details of these actions as they relate to the patent or patent application involved. This guide sets out to teach the reader how to use the journal to access this information.

While there are many possible actions in the life of a patent, the majority of actions reported relate to the following events, which are the main stages in the progression of a patent application to a sealed patent:

(i) FILING -

This is the act of making an application. When the application is first filed certain details are published.

(ii) OPEN-TO-PUBLIC-INSPECTION (OPI) -

Approximately 18 months after first filing of an Australian or a corresponding foreign application, certain application documents, including the complete specification, become available to the public (Open-to-Public-Inspection or "OPI"). Relevant application details are published.

(iii) NATIONAL PHASE ENTRY (NPE) -

For an application filed under the PCT to have full effect, it must move from the international phase of processing into the National phase of processing, by complying with the requirements of s.89(3). For PCT applications that were filed after 1 January 2004 which have entered the National Phase certain details are published.

(iv) ACCEPTANCE -

This is the Commissioner's acceptance of a patent application. Once the Commissioner has accepted a patent application, certain details of the application are published in the AOJP. Notice of opposition may be filed within three months of advertisement of acceptance.

(v) OPPOSITION -

If an opposition action is commenced against the grant of the patent, the six-figure acceptance number and the name of the opponent are published. If the opposition is to the Certification of an Innovation Patent, the patent number and the name of the opponent are published.

(vi) SEALING -

Most accepted applications are not opposed. These proceed to sealing and become granted patents. Of the few that are opposed (less than 1%) most of these, after resolution of the opposition, proceed to sealing and become granted patents. Sealed patents are simply listed in order of their application number.

(vii) CERTIFICATION-

This is the Commissioner's Certification after passing examination of a previously granted unexamined Innovation Patent.

In addition to the actions related to these stages, other actions reported include: assignments, lapsing or withdrawal of applications and ceasing or expiry of patents, voluntary amendments, extensions of time for certain actions and registration of licences.

How To Identify Information Using "INID" Numbers

Patents are published in many different countries and in many different languages. As a result, finding the information that you want (eg the filing date) on a patent document or in a journal can be quite difficult. There is an international system operating, however, which codifies this information in an unambiguous way, by assigning a specific number to each piece of information about the history of a patent. These numbers are called the **I**nternationally **a**greed **N**umbers for the **I**dentification of **D**ata or INID numbers.

These numbers appear on all published patents and abstracts and are used throughout this journal to identify particular items of information. For example, the date on which a document is filed has the INID number (22), while the name of the applicant has the INID number of (71). These numbers are always expressed in parentheses and always immediately precede the information to which they relate. For example:

(22) 12.10.91

means that the filing date of the document which contains this reference is 12 October 1991. Learning the INID numbers for the information you want will help you find it quickly and easily.

A complete list of the INID numbers and the items to which they relate is provided at the end of this Guide.

How Australian Patent Documents are Numbered

Patent applications in Australia are assigned a number at the filing stage in their processing. Each Australian application will retain the same number throughout its life, though different numbers may be associated to the application. The number will incorporate the year of lodgment then a unique number within the appropriate range.

There will be number ranges for types of patents:

100,000 – 199,999	Innovation
200,000 – 799,999	Standard
800,000 – 899,999	Petty
900,000 – 999,999	Provisional

When searching for information and ordering documents it is vital that you understand the numbering systems.

1. **Provisional Applications** are given a ten-figure number

e.g. 2002901123

A provisional application number is identified by the INID number (21).

2. **Complete and Innovation Applications** are also given a ten-figure application number

e.g. 2002200345 Standard
2002100123 Innovation

There are prefixes applied to this number which indicate whether the application has been accepted:

A document corresponding to an unaccepted application has the prefix, AU-A; eg AU-A-2002200234.
A document corresponding to an accepted application carries the prefix AU-B; eg AU-B-2002200234.

Users need to be aware that an accepted document may differ from the corresponding unaccepted document. This is because amendment may occur between first publication (OPI) and second publication (acceptance).

A ten-figure application number is identified by the INID number (21).

NOTE: When ordering any patent document from us, whether accepted or not, please quote the ten-figure application number preceded by the appropriate prefix.

Arrangement of Information in the Journal

For each of the categories

- (i) Provisional Applications Filed,
- (ii) Complete Applications Filed,
- (iii) Applications Open to Public Inspection
- (iv) Applications Entered National Phase
- (v) Applications Accepted, and
- (vi) Innovation Patent Certified.

The Journal lists the information published in that category in an alphabetical Name Index list based on the name of the applicant. These indices are useful if you wish to find information about applications made by a particular applicant.

In addition to the Name Index there is provided, for each of these categories, a Numerical Index. This index lists the applications either in order of their five-figure Application Numbers, in the case of complete applications filed and applications OPI, or in order of their six-figure Document Number in the case of accepted applications. It provides, for each number, the name of the applicant. These indices are useful if you wish to track the progress of a particular patent application.

There are also IPC Indices provided for applications which are OPI, for applications which have entered national phase and for applications which have been accepted. IPC stands for International Patent Classification. Each IPC "mark" is an alpha-numerical representation of a particular area of technology. These indices are in order of IPC mark, and within each mark provide either the five-figure application numbers of the application which are now OPI or the six-figure numbers of the cases now accepted. These indices are useful if you wish to check on patent activity in a particular technology.

Using the Indices

1. To Find Patent Information if You Know the Name of the Applicant.

Use the Name Indices. They will give you the following information identified by their INID number:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>
A) Provisional applications filed - Name Index		B) Complete applications filed - Name Index	
The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)	The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)
The Provisional application <u>number</u>	(21)	The <u>number</u> assigned to the application	(21)
The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)	The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)
The <u>title</u> of the invention	(54)	<u>Title</u> of the invention	(54)
		<u>Number</u> of priority document(s) if any	(31)
		<u>Date(s)</u> of filing of priority documents	(32)
		<u>Country</u> of which priority documents filed	(33)
		PCT application <u>number</u>	(86)
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>
C) Applications open to public inspection - Name Index		D) Applications entered National Phase - Name Index	
The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)	The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)
The <u>number</u> of the document	(11)	The <u>number</u> of the document	(11)
The <u>number</u> assigned to the application	(21)	The <u>number</u> assigned to the application	(21)

The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)	The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)
The <u>title</u>	(54)	The <u>title</u>	(54)
The <u>classification marks</u>	(51)	The <u>classification marks</u>	(51)
Priority document <u>number(s)</u>	(31)	PCT publication <u>number</u>	(87)
<u>Date</u> of filing of priority document(s)	(32)	Priority document <u>number</u>	(31)
<u>Country</u> in which priority document filed	(33)	<u>Date</u> of filing of priority document(s)	(32)
Publication <u>date</u> of unexamined document	(43)	<u>Country</u> in which priority document filed	(33)
Inventors <u>names</u> if known	(72)	Publication <u>date</u> of unexamined document	(43)
<u>Patent Attorneys</u>	(74)	Inventors <u>names</u> if known	(72)
Related by addition	(61)	<u>Patent Attorneys</u>	(74)
Related by division	(62)		

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INID</u> <u>No.</u>
E) Applications accepted - Name Index		F) Patents Certified – Name Index	
The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)	The <u>name</u> of the applicant	(71)
The <u>number</u> of the document	(11)	The <u>number</u> of the accepted document	(10)
The <u>number</u> of the accepted document	(10)	The <u>number</u> assigned to the application	(21)
The <u>number</u> assigned to the application	(21)	The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)
The <u>date</u> of filing	(22)	The <u>title</u>	(54)
The <u>title</u>	(54)	The <u>classification marks</u>	(51)
The <u>classification marks</u>	(51)	Priority document <u>number</u>	(31)
PCT publication <u>number</u>	(87)	<u>Date</u> of filing of priority document(s)	(32)
Priority document <u>number</u>	(31)	<u>Country</u> in which priority document filed	(33)
<u>Date</u> of filing of priority document(s)	(32)	Publication <u>date</u> of granted patent	(45)
<u>Country</u> in which priority document filed	(33)	Inventors <u>names</u>	(72)
Publication <u>date</u> of unexamined document	(43)	<u>Patent Attorneys</u>	(74)
Publication <u>date</u> of examined document	(44)	Related by division	(62)
Publication <u>date</u> of granted patent	(45)		
Inventors <u>names</u>	(72)		
<u>Patent Attorneys</u>	(74)		
Related by addition	(61)		
Related by division	(62)		

You will notice at each stage of following application through that all applications are in alphabetical order of **Applicant**, not inventor.

2. To Find Information About a Patent Application if You Know its Number.

Use the appropriate numerical index. This will give you the name of the applicant from the number. You will then need to use the appropriate Name Index as above to find out other information about the Patent Application you are interested in.

The following Numerical Indices are available:

- A) **Provisional** Applications filed.
- B) **Complete** Applications filed.
- C) **Innovation** Applications filed.
- D) Applications **Open to Public Inspection**.
- E) Applications **Entered National Phase**
- F) Applications **Accepted**.
- G) Innovation Patent **Certified**

3. To Find Information About Patent Documents in the Area of Technology in which You are Interested if You Know the International Patent Classification Mark for that Area.

All patent applications are classified according to their subject matter using the International Patent Classification (IPC). Although the system is very detailed and covers all technologies, knowledge of the IPC marks of the technologies you are interested in will allow you to find patent documents in these technologies quite easily. To identify the IPC marks of technologies you are interested in, you can inspect relevant documentation in any of IP Australia's state offices.

The indices to use are

- A) Applications **OPI** - IPC Index
- B) Applications **accepted** - IPC Index
- C) Applications **Entered National Phase** – IPC Index

These indices give you the numbers of the applications which are either OPI, Entered National Phase or Accepted and are listed in order of their IPC marks.

Once you have the numbers of the documents that interest you, consult the relevant Number Index (see 2. above) to find the applicant's name, and then the Name Index (see 1. above) to find out the details of that application.

'INID' NUMBERS in use on Australian Patent Documents

'INID' is an acronym for 'Internationally agreed **N**umbers for the **I**dentification of **D**ata'.

(10) Document identification

- (11) Number of the document
- (12) Plain language designation of the kind of document
- (19) WIPO country code, or other identification, of the country publishing the document.

(20) Document filing data

- (21) Number(s) assigned to the application(s).
- (22) Date(s) of filing application(s)
- (23) Other date(s) of filing, including exhibition filing date and date of filing complete specification following provisional specification.
- (24) Date from which industrial property rights may have effect.

(30) Priority data

- (31) Number(s) assigned to priority application(s)
- (32) Date(s) of filing priority application(s)
- (33) Country (countries) in which the priority application(s) was (were) filed.

(40) Date(s) of making available to the public

- (43) Date of publication by printing or similar process of an unexamined document, on which no grant has taken place on or before the said date.
- (44) Date of publication by printing or similar process of an examined document, on which no grant has taken place on or before the said date.
- (45) Date of publication by printing or similar process of a document, on which grant or certification has taken place on or before the said date.

(50) Technical Information

- (51) International Patent Classification
- (52) Domestic or national classification
- (54) Title of invention
- (56) List of prior art documents, if separate from descriptive text
- (57) Abstract or claim

(60) Reference(s) to other legally related domestic document(s)

- (60) Related by cognate(s).
- (61) Related by addition(s).
- (62) Related by division(s).

(70) Identification of parties concerned with the document

- (71) Name(s) of applicant(s)
- (72) Name(s) of inventor(s) if known to be such
- (74) Name(s) of attorney(s) or agent(s)
- (75) Name(s) of inventor(s) who is (are) also applicant(s)

(80) Identification of data related to International Conventions other than the Paris Convention

- (86) PCT Application Number
- (87) PCT Publication Number

NOTE

- (1) Australian patent documents published on or after 26 October 1978 should be referred to by the application number preceded by the prefix AU-A or AU-B.

 AU-A = Pre-examination **AU-B** = Post-examination
- (2) The classification used is the International Patent Classification and is identified by the INID code (51). Further editions of the classification are identified as (51)², (51)³, (51)⁴ and (51)⁵.
- (3) INID code 74 provides for the name of the patent attorney, or firm of attorneys, prosecuting an application.

ABSTRACTS OF DECISIONS

DECISION OF A DELEGATE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

Application	:	No. 761822 in the name of IGT
Title	:	Method for Operating Gaming Devices
Action	:	Opposition under Section 59 by BALLY GAMING, INC , an objection to an application under Regulation 5.10(2) for an extension of time in which to serve evidence in answer, and an application under Regulation 5.10(1) for directions for the conduct of the opposition
Decision	:	Issued 09 February 2007.

Abstract

The extension of time was not allowed and, consequently, it was not necessary to determine whether the directions sought by the opponent were appropriate in the circumstances.

The present extension application is the sixth made by the applicant in which to serve evidence in answer and represents a total extension sought of 18 months. The reasons given by the applicant to justify the total extension demonstrate a serious lack of progress in finalising the evidence in answer which has been unsatisfactorily explained. Despite the grant of multiple extensions of time, the applicant has only recently served a single declaration as partial evidence in answer, and it is clear from the present extension application and submissions made at the hearing that even if granted there is no prospect of the evidence in answer being concluded within the presently sought extension period. Additionally the applicant is only now looking to amend the specification which does not attest to a serious undertaking by the applicant to defend the opposition.

The balance of the public interest also favoured closing off the time for serving evidence in answer. Nevertheless, a short extension of time was allowed for the applicant to serve whatever evidence it may have at hand.

Proceedings under the Patents Act 1990

Applications Lapsed, Refused Or Withdrawn Patents Ceased or Expired

Reference to the application numbers must include the year of the application of the patent, which is shown preceding the numbers.

The codes next to each number have the following meanings:

Code	Meaning
1	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(a) \S 47(C)\
2	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(b)
3	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(c) \S 52B(3)\
4	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(d) \S 47D(1)\
5	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(e) \S 53\
6	Application Lapsed Section 142(2)(f)/Reg 8.3(3)
7	Application Lapsed Reg. 3.2(5)(a) \R 7B(3)\
8	Application Lapsed Reg. 3.4(6)
9	Application Lapsed Section 142(3)
10	Application Lapsed Section 142(4)(b)
11	Application Lapsed Section 148(1)(c)
12	Application Withdrawn Section 141(1)/Reg 8.3(2) \S 37\
13	Application Withdrawn Section 141(2)/Reg 8.3(2)
14	Patent Ceased Section 143(a), or Expired
15	Patent Ceased Section 143(b)
16	Application refused
17	Application Lapsed Regulation 22.2
A	Applications on which examination has not been requested or directed
B	Applications on which a direction to request examination has been given
C	Applications on which examination has been requested or on which an examination report has been issued
D	Applications which have been accepted or advertised accepted, (including applications which have also been advertised 'Not Sealed')
N	Applications Not Open to Public Inspection

767099 (12D)

2002

14697 (5C) 15469 (5C) 26164 (5C)
29182 (5C) 38237 (5C)

Amendments, Section 104

Applications for Amendment

A person interested in opposing the allowance of the amendment may, at any time within three months from the date of this journal, give notice at the Patent Office using the approved form accompanied by the prescribed fee.

742363 Nuclear transfer with differentiated fetal and adult donor cells
University of Massachusetts, A Public Institution of Higher Education of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts The nature of the proposed amendment is as shown in the statement(s) filed 14 Nov 2006. . Address for service in Australia - WATERMARK PATENT & TRADEMARK ATTORNEYS Locked Bag 5 HAWTHORN VIC 3122

Opposition Proceedings

(The name in the parentheses is that of the opponent)

Opposition Withdrawn

780846 **Curis, Inc.** (SmithKline Beecham Corporation)

Opposition Dismissed - Proceeding to Sealing

735113 **Mundipharma Medical GmbH** (Grunenthal GmbH)

Application Withdrawn

767099 **Amethon Solutions (Asia Pacific) Pty Ltd** (iTouch Australia Pty Ltd)

Notice of Opposition under Section 223(6) and Chapter 5

770238

A Notice of Opposition to the Request for an Extension of Time to file Search Results under Section 45(3) was filed on 08 December 2006 by Embrey Attachments Pty Ltd

Letters Patent Sealed

Standard Patents

782891 784777 785076 785188 785189 785191
785192

Extensions of Term of Standard Patents, Section 70

Application filed

The following application(s) for Extension of Term under Section 70 have been filed.

726934 **N.V. Organon**

NUVARING etonogestrel

Grant

The following application(s) for Extension of Term have been granted under Section 74.

703638 **Pfizer Products Inc. and OSI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

TARCEVA erlotinib

Date extended term due to expire on 30/01/2021

Corrigenda

In Vol 21, No 5, Page(s) 1153 under the heading **Patents Ceased or Expired/Applications Lapsed Withdrawn or Refused** Please delete all reference to Patent No. 729930 in the name of Ing-Jing Huang