

Since the publication of the 60-day notice, the USPTO has updated the postage rate associated with this information collection from \$12.25 to \$13.25. This results in an increase of \$315 in non-hourly cost burden, for a new estimated total annual respondent non-hourly cost burden of \$24,086,261.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Substantive Submissions Made During the Prosecution of the Trademark Application

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereafter “USPTO” or “Agency”), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites comments on the extension and revision of an existing information collection: 0651-0054 (Substantive Submissions Made During the Prosecution of the Trademark Application). The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comments preceding submission of the information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: To ensure consideration, you must submit comments regarding this information collection on or before October 26, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by any of the following methods. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

- **Email:** InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include “0651-0054 comment” in the subject line of the message.

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <https://www.regulations.gov>.

- **Mail:** Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

- **Telephone:** Emily Carlsen, Petitions Office, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Trademark Examination Policy, 571-272-2235.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Emily Carlsen, Senior Attorney Advisor, at: Petitions Office, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Trademark Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; 571-272-2235; or TMPolicy@uspto.gov with “0651-0054 comment” in the subject line. Additional information about this information collection is also available at <https://www.reginfo.gov> under “Information Collection Review.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This collection of information is required by the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 *et seq.*, which provides for the registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and collective service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks. Individuals and business that use or intend to use such marks in commerce may file an application to register their marks with the USPTO.

Such individuals and businesses may also submit various communications to the USPTO, including providing additional information needed to process a request to delete a particular filing basis from an application or to divide an application identifying multiple goods and/or service into two or more separate applications. Applicants may seek a six-month extension of time to file a statement that the mark is in use in commerce or submit a petition to revive an application that was abandoned for failure to submit a timely statement of use or extension request. Applicants are allowed to file up to five extension requests over a 30-month period. The USPTO estimates that the average applicant will file two extension requests per year. In some circumstances, an applicant may expressly abandon an application by filing a request for withdrawal of the application.

The rules implementing the Trademark Act are set forth in 37 CFR part 2. These rules mandate that each trademark register entry include the mark, the goods and/or services in connection with which the mark is used, ownership information, dates of use, and certain other information. The USPTO also provides similar information concerning pending

applications. The register and pending application information may be accessed by an individual or business to determine the availability of a mark. By accessing the USPTO’s information, parties may reduce the possibility of initiating use of a mark previously adopted by another. As a result, the federal trademark registration process is intended to reduce unnecessary litigation and its accompanying costs and burdens.

The information in this collection is used to process the substantive submissions made during prosecution of a trademark application. The submissions in this information collection are a matter of public record and are used by the public for a variety of private business purposes related to establishing and enforcing trademark rights. The information is accessible online, through the USPTO website, as well as through various USPTO facilities.

II. Method of Collection

Items in this information collection must be submitted as electronic submissions. In limited circumstances, applicants may be permitted to submit the information in paper form by mail or hand delivery.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0651-0054.

Forms:

- PTO-1553 (Allegation of Use (Statement of Use/Amendment to Allege Use))
- PTO-1554 (Request to Divide Application)
- PTO-1555 (Response to Intent-to-Use/ Divisional (ITU/Divisional) Unit Office Action)
- PTO-1556 (Response to Petition to Revive Deficiency Letter)
- PTO-1557 (Petition to Revive with Request to Delete Section 1(b) Basis or to Delete ITU Goods/Services/ Collective Membership Organization after NOA)
- PTO-1581 (Request for Extension of Time to File a Statement of Use)
- PTO-2194 (Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to Respond Timely to Office Action)
- PTO-2195 (Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to File Timely Statement of Use or Extension Request)
- PTO-2200 (Request to Delete Section 1(B) Basis, Intent to Use)
- PTO-2202 (Request for Express Abandonment (Withdrawal) of Application)
- PTO-2301 (Petition to Director)

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual

Respondents: 314,085 respondents.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 444,085 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that the responses in this information collection will take the public approximately 10 minutes (0.17 hours) to 70 minutes (1.17 hours) to complete. This includes the time to

gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed item(s) to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 324,612 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Hourly Cost Burden: \$178,536,600.

TABLE 1—TOTAL BURDEN HOURS AND HOURLY COSTS TO PRIVATE SECTOR RESPONDENTS

Item No.	Item	Estimated annual respondents	Responses per respondent	Estimated annual responses	Estimated time for response (hours)	Estimated burden (hour/year)	Rate ¹ (\$/hour)	Estimated annual respondent cost burden
		(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)	(d)	(c) × (d) = (e)	(f)	(e) × (f) = (g)
1	Allegation of Use (Statement of Use/Amendment to Allege Use) PTO–1553.	135,000	1	135,000	1	135,000	\$550	\$74,250,000
2	Request for Extension of Time to File a Statement of Use PTO–1581.	130,000	2	260,000	0.58 (35 minutes)	150,800	550	82,940,000
3	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to Respond Timely to Office Action PTO–2194.	16,000	1	16,000	1	16,000	550	8,800,000
4	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to File Timely Statement of Use or Extension Request PTO–2195.	14,500	1	14,500	0.67 (40 minutes)	9,715	550	5,343,250
5	Request to Delete Section 1(b) Basis, Intent to Use PTO–2200.	2,300	1	2,300	0.50 (30 minutes)	1,150	550	632,500
6	Request for Express Abandonment (Withdrawal) of Application PTO–2202.	8,200	1	8,200	0.17 (10 minutes)	1,394	550	766,700
7	Request to Divide Application PTO–1554.	3,650	1	3,650	0.67 (40 minutes)	2,446	550	1,345,300
8	Response to Intent-to-Use/Divisional (ITU/Divisional) Unit Office Action PTO–1555.	900	1	900	1.17 (70 minutes)	1,053	550	579,150
9	Response to Petition to Revive Deficiency Letter PTO–1556.	1,000	1	1,000	0.83 (50 minutes)	830	550	456,500
10	Petition to Director PTO–2301.	2,450	1	2,450	2.50	6,125	550	3,368,750
11	Petition to Revive with Request to Delete Section 1(b) Basis or to Delete ITU Goods/Services/Collective Membership Organization After NOA PTO–1557.	85	1	85	1.17 (70 minutes)	99	550	54,450
Totals		314,085		444,085		324,612		178,536,600

¹ 2025 Report of the Economic Survey, published by the Committee on Economics of Legal Practice of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA); pg. F–35. The USPTO uses the average billing rate for intellectual property work in all firms which is \$550 per hour (<https://www.aipla.org/home/news-publications/economic-survey/2025-report-of-the-economic-survey>).

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-hourly Cost Burden: \$61,747,125. There are no capital start-up costs, maintenance costs, or recordkeeping costs associated with this information

collection. However, the USPTO estimates that the total annual non-hourly cost burden for this information collection, in the form of filing fees and postage, is \$61,747,125.

Filing Fees

The fees associated with submitting items in this information collection are outlined in Table 2 below:

TABLE 2—FILING FEES

Item No.	Fee code	Item	Estimated annual responses (a)	Filing fee (\$) (b)	Non-hourly cost burden (a) × (b) = (c)
1	6002, 6003	Allegation of Use (Statement of Use/Amendment to Allege Use) (Paper).	14	\$250	\$3,500
1	7002, 7003	Allegation of Use (Statement of Use/Amendment to Allege Use) (Electronic).	134,986	150	20,247,900
2	6004	Request for Extension of Time to File a Statement of Use (Paper)	26	225	5,850
2	7004	Request for Extension of Time to File a Statement of Use (Electronic)	259,974	125	32,496,750
3	6010	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to Respond Timely to Office Action (Paper).	2	350	700
3	7010	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to Respond Timely to Office Action (Electronic).	15,998	250	3,999,500
4	6010	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to File Timely Statement of Use or Extension Request (Paper).	1	350	350
4	7010	Petition to Revive Abandoned Application—Failure to File Timely Statement of Use or Extension Request (Electronic).	14,499	250	3,624,750
7	6006	Request to Divide Application (Paper)	1	200	200
7	7006	Request to Divide Application (Electronic)	3,649	100	364,900
10	6005	Petition to Director (Paper)	1	500	500
10	7005	Petition to Director (Electronic)	2,449	400	979,600
11	6010	Petition to Revive with Request to Delete Section 1(b) Basis or to Delete ITU Goods/Services/Collective Membership Organization After NOA (Paper).	1	350	350
11	7010	Petition to Revive with Request to Delete Section 1(b) Basis or to Delete ITU Goods/Services/Collective Membership Organization After NOA (Electronic).	84	250	61,743,000
Totals			431,685		61,745,850

Postage Costs

The USPTO requires that the items in this information collection be submitted electronically. In very limited circumstances, responses may be submitted by hand or by mail through the United States Postal Service. The USPTO estimates that 100 items in this information collection will be submitted in themail. The USPTO estimates that the average postage cost for a mailed submission, using a Priority Mail legal flat-rate envelope, will be \$13.25. Therefore, the USPTO estimates the total mailing cost for this information collection is \$1,325.

IV. Request for Comments

The USPTO is soliciting public comments to:

- (a) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (b) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the

use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. The USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in a comment, be advised that the entire comment—including PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While one may request in a comment to withhold PII from public view, the USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to delete products and service(s) from the Procurement List that were furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before: September 26, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 250 E Street SW, Suite 3100, Washington DC, 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to submit comments contact: Michael R. Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 489-1322, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.