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MAIN DEDICATED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AND REGULATIONS NOTIFIED UNDER ARTICLE 63,2 OF THE AGREEMENT

THAILAND

The present document reproduces the text¹ of the Ministerial Regulations N° 27 (1999), issued under the Patent Act of 1979, as notified by Thailand under Article 63.2 of the Agreement (see document IP/N/1/THA/1).

Conseil des aspects des droits de propriété intellectuelle qui touchent au commerce

PRINCIPALES LOIS ET RÉGLEMENTATIONS CONSACRÉES À LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE NOTIFIÉES AU TITRE DE L'ARTICLE 63:2 DE L'ACCORD

THAÏLANDE

Le présent document contient le texte¹ du Règlement ministériel n° 27 (1999), pris en vertu de la Loi de 1979 sur les brevets, notifié par la Thaïlande au titre de l'article 63:2 de l'Accord (voir le document IP/N/1/THA/1).

Consejo de los Aspectos de los Derechos de Propiedad Intelectual relacionados con el Comercio

PRINCIPALES LEYES Y REGLAMENTOS DEDICADOS A LA PROPIEDAD INTELECTUAL NOTIFICADOS EN VIRTUD DEL PÁRRAFO 2 DEL ARTÍCULO 63 DEL ACUERDO

TAILANDIA

En el presente documento se reproduce el texto¹ del Reglamento Ministerial Nº 27 (1999), emitido en virtud de la Ley de Patentes de 1979, notificado por Tailandia en virtud del párrafo 2 del artículo 63 del Acuerdo (véase el documento IP/N/1/THA/1).

¹ In English only. The text in the original language is available for consultation by interested Delegations at the WTO Secretariat./En anglais seulement. Les délégations intéressées peuvent consulter le texte dans sa langue d'origine, au Secrétariat de l'OMC./En inglés solamente. Las delegaciones interesadas podrán consultar en la Secretaría de la OMC el texto en su idioma original.

Ministerial Regulations No. 27 (B.E. 2542)

Issued under the Patent Act B.E. 2522

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By virtue of the power granted under Section 4, Section 53 paragraph one and Section 65 of the Patent Act B.E. 2522 and Section 65 decies of the Patent Act B.E. 2522 as amended by the Patent Act (No.3) B.E. 2542, the Minister of Commerce issues the Ministerial Regulations as follows:

Clause 1 The following shall be repealed:

- (1) Ministerial Regulations No.8 (B.E. 2529) issued under the Patent Act B.E. 2522;
- (2) Ministerial Regulations No.18 (B.E. 2535) issued under the Patent Act B.E. 2522;

Clause 2 In applying for the surrender of a patent or any claim or claims, the patentee or the owner of the petty patent shall file an application in the form prescribed by the Director-General with the competent officer at the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce or send the application by a registered mail to the competent officer at any of the following places:

- (1) the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce;
- (2) any provincial commercial office or governmental office prescribed by the Director-General.

In filing the application under the first paragraph, if the patentee or the owner of the patent is not resident if Thailand, ha shall appoint an agent registered with the Director-General to act for him by filing the power of attorney with the application in accordance with the following:

(1) in the case where the appointment of the agent is done in a foreign country, the power of attorney shall be certified by an officer of the Thai embassy or consular office or head of the office attached to the Thai Ministry of Commerce in the country in which the person appointing the agent resides or any officer designated to act on behalf of the said officer, or certified by any person authorized by the law of the said country to certify signatures; or

(2) In the case where the appointment is done in Thailand, a copy of the passport or certificate of temporary residence or other evidence to prove to the Director-General of the entry to Thailand at the time of the appointment of the agent.

Clause 3 In filing the application under Clause 2, if the patent or petty patent is jointly-owned, the applicant shall file evidence showing the consent of all joint-owners.

If the patent has been licensed under Section 38, 45, 46, 47 or 47 bis or the design patent under Sections 65 and 38 or the petty patent under Sections 65 decies and 38, 45, 46, 47 or 47 bis, the evidence showing the consent of the parties concerned shall be filed together with the application.

Clause 4 The application for the surrender of a patent or any claim or claims shall not be made in the following circumstances:

- (1) there is a lawsuit alleging that the patent or petty patent which is or of which a claim is proposed to be surrendered infringes a patent or petty patent of another person pending in the court;
- (2) there is a lawsuit requesting for the cancellation of the said patent or petty patent under Section 54, 64 or 65 novies pending in the court.

Clause 5 In the course of examination of the application for the surrender of a patent, petty patent or claims, the competent officer may instruct the patentee, the owner of a petty patent, the joint owner of the patent or petty patent or his representative or any other person who has an interest to appear before him to answer any question or hand over to him any document or item within the prescribed period.

Clause 6 When the competent officer has examined the application filed under Clause 2, including the evidence filed or statements of the persons instructed to appear before him under Clause 5, if any, he shall submit his opinion to the Director-General.

Clause 7 When the application under Clause 2 has been approved by the Director-General, the competent officer shall record the said surrender in the register of patents or petty patents and notify the patentee or the owner of the petty patent of the decision, and shall publish the surrender of the patent, petty patent or claims in an open area at the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce for at least thirty days.

If the application under Clause 2 is rejected by the Director-General, the competent officer shall notify the patentee of the rejection without delay.

Clause 8 Any document required to be submitted under these regulations which is in a foreign language shall be accompanied by a Thai translation certified by the translator to be true.

Clause 9 The applications for the surrender of patents or claims filed before the entry into force of these Regulations shall be executed in accordance with these regulations.

Given on September 24, 1999
(sign) Paitoon Kaewtong
(Mr.Paitoon Kaewtong)
Deputy Minister of Commerce
Acting for the Minister of Commerce