Patents Amendment Regulation 2012 (No. 1)\(^1\)

Select Legislative Instrument 2012 No. 221

I, QUENTIN BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulation under the *Patents Act 1990*.

Dated 13 September 2012

QUENTIN BRYCE
Governor-General

By Her Excellency’s Command

GREG COMBET
Minister for Industry and Innovation
1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the Patents Amendment Regulation 2012 (No. 1).

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on the day after it is registered.

3 Amendment of Patents Regulations 1991

Schedule 1 amends the Patents Regulations 1991.

Schedule 1 Amendment

(section 3)

[1] Schedule 7, after Part 3

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Part 4 Fees payable for benefit of International Bureau

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**Reductions**
403 | The international filing fee is reduced by the following amount if the international application is, as provided for in the Administrative Instructions, filed:
   (a) on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract: | 100 Swiss francs
   (b) in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format: | 100 Swiss francs
   (c) in electronic form, the request being in character coded format: | 200 Swiss francs
   (d) in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format: | 300 Swiss francs
404 | The international filing fee (where applicable, as reduced under item 403) and the handling fee are reduced by 90% if the international application is filed by:
   (a) an applicant who is a natural person and who is a national of and resides in a State whose per capita national income is below US$3,000 (according to the average per capita national income figures used by the United Nations for determining its scale of assessments for the contributions payable for the years 1995, 1996 and 1997) or, until December 31, 2009, one of the following States: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahrain, Barbados, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Oman, Seychelles, Singapore, Trinidad & Tobago and United Arab Emirates; or
   (b) an applicant, whether a natural person or not, who is a national of and resides in a State that is classed as a least developed country by the United Nations; provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criteria set out in either sub-item (a) or (b).

**Note**