
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1987 No. 288

The Patents (Amendment) Rules 1987

Miscellaneous

12.—(1) In paragraph (1) of rule 110 of the Patents Rules 1982 there shall be substituted for the words “paragraph (3)” the words “paragraphs (3) and (3A)”.

(2) For paragraphs (2) and (3) of the said rule 110 there shall be substituted the following—

“(2) The rules referred to in paragraph (1) above are rules 6(1), 17(3), 26 (so far as it relates to rule 6(1)), 39(1) and (2), 40(2), 43(2), 60(2), 65(1), 66(1), 71(1), 78(1), 81(1), 82(1) and 91(4).

(3) A time or period prescribed in rules 6(2) and (6), 15(1), 17(2), 23, 25(2), 25(3) (except so far as it relates to the filing of claims for the purposes of the application and the filing of the abstract), 26 (except so far as it relates to rule 6(1)), 33(2), (3) and (4), 34, 79B, 81(2) and (3), 82(2) and (3), 83(3) and 85(1) and (3) above shall, if not previously extended, be extended for one month upon filing Patents Form No. 50/77; and where in any proceedings more than one such time or period expires on the same day (but not otherwise), those times or periods may be extended upon the filing of a single such form.

(3A) Without prejudice to paragraph (3) above, a time or period prescribed in the rules referred to in that paragraph may, upon request made on Patents Form No. 52/77, be extended or further extended by the comptroller if he thinks fit, upon such terms as the comptroller may direct, and whether or not the time or period, including any extension obtained under paragraph (3), has expired:

Provided that no extension may be granted under this paragraph in relation to any time or period expiring before 24th March 1987.

(3B) A single request may be made under paragraph (3A) above for the extension of more than one time or period in the same proceedings if the extensions are to be to a common date (but not otherwise).

(3C) If on consideration of a request under paragraph (3A) above the comptroller decides that the extension requested (or, in a case falling within paragraph (3B) above, any or all of the extensions requested) may be granted he shall notify the applicant accordingly and invite him to file Patents Form No. 53/77, upon receipt of which the comptroller shall effect the extension or extensions in accordance with the decision.”