STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1100

The Patents and Patents (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2017

Amendments to the Patents Rules

3. After rule 30 insert—

"30A Fee for the grant of a patent under section 18(4)

- (1) Where at the date of notification by the comptroller to the applicant in accordance with section 18(4)—
 - (a) the number of claims contained in the application—
 - (i) exceeds twenty-five; and
 - (ii) is greater than the number of claims contained in the application as at the date when the applicant made a request for a search under section 17(1)(c); or
 - (b) the number of pages of the description contained in the application—
 - (i) exceeds thirty-five; and
 - (ii) is greater than the number of pages of the description contained in the application as at the date when the applicant made a request for a substantive examination under section 18(1);

the applicant must pay a fee for the grant of the patent under section 18(4).

(2) The fee for the grant must be accompanied by Patents Form 34 and the period prescribed for the purposes of section 18(4) is two months beginning immediately after the date of the notification referred to in paragraph (1)."