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Hardware changes

CD-ROM discs	DVD-ROM

PATENTS ASSIGN May 1999

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PATENTS BIB May 1999

PATENTS CLASS May 1999

PATENTS SNAP May 1999

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TRADEMARKS PENDING May 1999

TRADEMARKS REGISTERED May 1999

USAMARKS May 1999

USAPAT first issue of 2000



GLOBALPAT will <u>NOT</u> be changing to DVD-ROM



Benefits

- reduce number of discs per year ($\sim 300 \longrightarrow 52$)
- faster retrieval, display and printing of data
- entire US patents from 1790 to 1999 will be available

What is required to use DVD-ROM

- DVD drive (2nd generation strongly recommended)
- Windows 95[™], 98[™] or NT[™] operating system



Note: CD drives cannot read DVD-ROMs



Software changes

New publishing software - Dataware II (mid-1999)



- •32-bit software
- improved search/display capabilities
- licensing agreement provided

What is required to use Dataware II software (mid-1999)



• Windows 95[™], 98[™] or NT[™] operating system



All CASSIS products will not run under DOS or Windows 3.1



USAPAT changes

Format change - Yellow Book to TIFF



DocD for Windows included

- improved installation and printing speeds
- improved export options
- improved image quality on display



For further details regarding these enhancements, visit our website at:

http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/ac/ido/oeip/cc/index/htm

New Patent Publication Process at USPTO

- Traditionally, USPTO Office of Publications sends applications to the data base contractor after Issue Fee payment. Patents would issue on average 14 weeks later.
- USPTO will change process to issue all allowed utility applications four weeks after the drawing and issue fee requirements are met



USPTO Patent Publication Bubble

- From January 4th through April 6th, the weekly issue size will be 2,880 patents.
- Beginning with the April 13th through July 6th, the weekly issue size will be increased to 5,400 patents.
- The increase in issue size is necessary to compress the existing publishing work loads.



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Changeover from "Bluebook" to "Redbook"

- Also beginning with the weekly issue of April 13th, USPTO will begin publishing in SGML
- ST.32 + additional tags

For further details of "Redbook" changes visit our website at:

http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/ac/ido/oeip/sgml/redbook/index.html

