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Mr. Francis Gurry Deputy Director General IT Division World Intellectual Property Organization 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20 SWITZERLAND

Re: SCIT C. 2644- Questionnaire on codes used for internal purposes or individual use

Dear Mr. Gurry:

In response to SCIT C. 2644, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is responding to the survey on practices regarding codes used for internal purposes or individual use. Please see attached spreadsheet for responses to the questionnaire.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at cherie.kazenske @uspto.gov.

Sincerely,

Cheryl E. Kazenske

Cheryl E. Kazenske International Intellectual Property Program Manager Office of International Relations United States Patent and Trademark Office

Attachment

	PATENTS								
Code	Source	Related WIPO Standard	Meaning/Use	External exposure	Publications/ Fora	Date range	Comments		
01	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 01-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1915/01/01 to 1934/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
02	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 02-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1935/01/01 to 1947/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
03	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 03-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1948/01/01 to 1959/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
04	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 04-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1960/01/01 to 1969/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
05	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 05-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1970/01/01 to 1978/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
06	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 06-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1979/01/01 to 1986/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
07	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 07-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1987/01/01 to 1992/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
08	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 08-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1993/01/01 to 1997/12/29	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		
09	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 09-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1997/12/30 to 2001/12/04	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application		

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10	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 10-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	2001-12-05 to 2004/12	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
11	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US utility and plant patent application numbers, e.g, 11-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	2004/12 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
29	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US design patent application numbers, e.g, 29 - 123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1992-10-01 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
60	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US provisional patent application numbers, e.g, 60-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1995-06-08 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
90	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US Ex Parte Reexamination patent application numbers, e.g, 90-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1981-07-01 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
95	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US Inter Partes Reexamination patent application numbers, e.g, 95-123456	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	2001-02-01 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US patent application
AA	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in Americas, excluding Canada	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US
AE	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Canada	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US
AP	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in the Pacific	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US

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XP	USPTO	ST.3	Used as WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 country/organization code is not provided to USPTO	Yes	- US patent documents and related databases		Used until correct WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is provided by applicant or other source.
ZZ	USPTO	ST.3	Used as WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 country/organization code for Stateless individuals or entities	Yes	- USPTO patent databases		

	TRADEMARKS								
Code	Source	Related WIPO Standard	Meaning/Use	External exposure	Publications/ Fora	Date range	Comments		
70	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 70-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1881 to 1905/03/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
71	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 71-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1905/04/01 to 1955/12/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
72	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 72-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1956/01/01 to 1973/08/31	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
73	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 73-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1973/09/01 to 1989/11/15	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
74	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 74-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1989/11/16 to 1995/09/30	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
75	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 75-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1995/10/01to approximately 2000/03/20	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
76	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers for paper filings, e.g., 76-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	2000/03/20 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
77	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers for Internet filings, e.g., 77-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	2006/09/14 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		
78	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers for Internet filings, e.g., 78-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	2000/03/20 to 2006/09/13	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application		

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79	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers for §66(a) filings, e.g., 79-123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	2003/11/02 to present	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application
80-81	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark pseudo application numbers, e.g., 80- 123456	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1995/10/01to approximately 2000/03/20	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application
89	USPTO	ST.10/C, ST.13	2-digit series code followed by a 6- digit serial number form US trademark application numbers, e.g., 89-123456; indicates a Non-Registration Document	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1995/10/01to approximately 2000/03/20	Both series code and serial number are needed to uniquely identify a US trademark application
AA	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in Americas, excluding Canada	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US
AE	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Canada	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US
AP	USPTO	ST.3	Used as an ISO 3166-2 country subdivision code for US Armed Forces in the Pacific	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is US
ХР	USPTO	ST.3	Used as WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 country/organization code is not provided to USPTO	Yes	-US trademark documents and related databases	1999-03-01 to present	Used until correct WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 code is provided by applicant or other source.
ZZ	USPTO	ST.3	Used as WIPO ST.3 or ISO 3166-1 country/organization code for Stateless individuals or entities	Yes	-USPTO trademark databases	1970-01-01 to present	

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