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No. 721

29 May 2003

PATENTS ACT, 1978 (ACT NO. 57 OF 1978)

AMENDMENT OF THE PATENTS REGULATIONS, 1978

The Minister of Trade and Industry has in concurrence with the Minister of Finance in respect of matters prescribing the payment of fees and Tariff of such fees under section 91 of the Patents Act, 1978 (Act No. 57 of 1978), further amended the Patent Regulations, 1978, initially published under Government Gazette No. R2470 of 15 December 1978 and as subsequently amended in Government Gazette No. 1985A of March 1999, Government Gazette No. 20248 of June 1999, Government Gazette No. 20790 of 30 December 1999, Government Gazette No. 20837 of 4 February 2000, Government Gazette No. 21960 of December, 2000, Government Gazette No. 22187 of March 2001 and Government Gazette No. 22560 OF September 2001, Government Gazette No. 2315 of March 2002, in the manner set out in schedule, for the European Patent Office (EPO), the Australia Patent Office (AU) and the International Bureau of WIPO with effect from July 1, 2003 further amended the Patent Regulations, 1978, initially published under Government Notice

Given under my hand and seal of the Republic of South Africa at Pretoria this Twenty Eighth day of May Two Thousand and Three.

SHEDULE OF FEES

1. Schedule 1 is amended by substitution for Item 25 and 26 of the following:

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