

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office
Report on Patent and Trademark Fees and Obligations

The following report complies with the provisions of Public Law 99-607 which are set forth in Section 42 of title 35, United States Code. This law states:

Section 42 of title 35, United States Code:

Subsection (e) REPORT TO CONGRESS. -- The Secretary of Commerce shall, on the day on which the President submits the annual budget to the Congress, provide to the Committees on the Judiciary of the Senate and the House of Representatives –

- (1) a list of patent and trademark fee collections by the Patent and Trademark Office during fiscal year 1999;
- (2) a list of activities of the Patent and Trademark Office during the preceding fiscal year which were supported by patent fee expenditures, trademark fee expenditures, and appropriations;
- (3) budget plans for significant programs, projects, and activities of the Office, including out-year funding estimates;
- (4) any proposed disposition of surplus fees by the Office; and
- (5) such other information as the committees consider necessary.

This report consists of three tables, which are explained below:

Table 1 provides an overall summary of actual resources and obligations for patents and trademarks for FY 1999.

Table 2 shows a listing of all patent and trademark fees collected during fiscal year 1999 by fee code.

Table 3 shows the obligations incurred by each Business Area and the amount of patent and trademark fees that were used to offset these obligations during fiscal year 1999.

Plans for significant program, projects and activities, along with out-year estimates and expected use of surplus fees are included in the body of the fiscal year 2000 Corporate Plan.