To: Jule L. Sigall
    Associate Register for Policy & International Affairs

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From: Frank Hardisty

Comment:
Dear Copyright Office,

I teach and research on the subject of cartography, specifically digital
cartography. I have had problems with "abandoned" computer code. If I wish to
directly use or make derivative works based upon code without copyright attribution,
it is hard to know how to proceed. The usually solution is to recreate the work
without reference to the original, which is a waste of time and other resources.

I strongly support the idea of releasing "orphan works" to the public domain.

regards,
-Dr. Frank Hardisty