

Feedback Sought for the Draft Amendment to the Implementing Provisions for the Patent Law

<u>Chinese version</u> The Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council released on March 9, 2009 the Draft Amendment to the Implementing Provisions for the <u>Patent Law of the People's Republic of China</u> (Draft for Reading) and the relevant explanations for public input. The public-input process is scheduled to conclude on March 31, 2009.

The Draft for Reading suggested revising the provisions from nine aspects, including name of the existing implementing rules of the Patent Law, documents for applying for patents, procedures for patent application and examination and approval, simplification of charging items and procedures, modification of compulsive licensing systems, use of the patent rights, awards for the inventors or designers, protection of the patent rights.

The sixth session of the 11th Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, the parliament, approved on December 27, 2008 the Decisions on Revising the <u>Patent Law of the People's Republic of China</u>, which will take effect on October 1, 2009.

(Source: Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council)

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