

REQUEST FOR GREEN TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

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First Named Inventor:

Title:

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE THE GREEN TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION. See Instruction Sheet on page 2.

This request must be timely filed electronically using the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web.

1. By filing this request:

Applicant is requesting early publication: Applicant hereby requests early publication under 37 CFR 1.219 and the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) accompanies this request.

Applicant is agreeing to make an election without traverse if the Office determines that the claims are not obviously directed to a single invention.

Applicant is agreeing not to request for a refund of the search fee and any excess claims fee paid in the application after the Office provided a pre-interview communication.

Applicant is agreeing to comply with the procedure for the pilot program.

- This request is accompanied by statements of special status for the eligibility requirement.
- The application contains no more than three (3) independent claims and twenty (20) total claims.
- The application does not contain any multiple dependent claims.
- Other attachments: _____

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Name (Print/Typed)	Registration Number

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Instruction Sheet for Request for Green Technology Pilot Program (Not to be Submitted to the USPTO)

The following is a summary of the requirements (for more information see notice "Streamlined Examination Pilot Program for Green Technologies Including Greenhouse Gas Reduction" available on the USPTO web site at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/ogsheet.html>):

1. The application must be a non-reissue, non-provisional utility application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a), or an international application that has entered the national stage in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371(c). Reexamination proceedings are excluded from this pilot program.
2. To be eligible for the pilot program, the application must also be classified in one of the U.S. classifications listed in section IX of the notice cited above at the time of examination. The USPTO will decide on the request once the application is in condition for examination.
3. The application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims. The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. For an application that contains more than three independent claims or twenty total claims, or multiple dependent claims, applicants may file a preliminary amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 to cancel the excess claims and/or the multiple dependent claims at the time the request is filed.
4. The claims must be directed to a single invention. If the USPTO determines that the claims are directed to multiple inventions (e.g., in a restriction requirement), the applicant must make an election without traverse or withdraw from the pilot program.
5. The request must be timely filed electronically using the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web.
6. The request must be accompanied by a special status statement in compliance with the eligible requirement.
7. The request must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).
8. The request must be filed at least one day before a first Office action on the merits of the application appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system (i.e., at least one day prior to the date when a first Office action on the merits, notice of allowability or allowance, or action under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 Dec. Comm'r Pat. 11 (1935) appears in the PAIR system). Applicant may check the status of the application using the PAIR system.
9. The request must include a statement that applicant agrees not to file a request for a refund of the search fee and any excess claim fees paid in the application after the mailing or notification date of the Pre-Interview Communication. Any petition for express abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138(d) and request for a refund of search fee and any excess claim fees filed after the mailing or notification date of a Pre-Interview Communication will not be granted.