

**REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM
BETWEEN THE BRAZILIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY (INPI) AND THE USPTO**

Application No.:		First Named Inventor:	
Filing Date:		Attorney Docket No.:	
Title of the Invention:			

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APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM.

Office of earlier examination (OEE): INPI (The Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property)

INPI application number: _____

Both the INPI application and the above-identified U.S. application

have the following earliest date (filing or priority date): _____

Type of INPI work product:

Mailing date of INPI work product: _____

Supporting Documents

1. INPI Work Product and Translation

A copy of the INPI work product and translation if not already in English:

Attached Previously submitted Not required because the decision to grant a patent was the first office action

Applicant requests the USPTO to attempt to obtain the INPI work product from the Dossier Access System or PATENTSCOPE

NOTE: If the applicant requests the USPTO to obtain the INPI work product electronically and such attempt is unsuccessful, the applicant will be required to supply the document. Accordingly, to avoid dismissal of the initial PPH request and potential denial of participation in the PPH program, the applicant should verify that the INPI work product is actually available via the Dossier Access System or PATENTSCOPE before requesting retrieval. If the applicant is unable to verify availability, then the applicant should submit the document with the PPH request.

2. References Cited in INPI Work Product

An information disclosure statement (IDS) listing the references cited in the INPI work product and document copies (except U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications):

Attached Previously Submitted Not required because no references were cited in the INPI work product

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