

JUSTIFICATION FOR NONMATERIAL/NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES
Recording Assignments
0651-0027

Background

This collection of information is required by 35 U.S.C. 261 and 262 for patents and 15 U.S.C. 1057 and 1060 for trademarks. These statutes authorize the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) to record patent and trademark assignment documents, including transfers of properties (i.e., patents and trademarks), liens, licenses, assignments of interests, mergers, and explanations of transactions or other documents that record the transfer of ownership of a particular patent or trademark property from one party to another. Assignments are recorded for applications, patents, and trademarks registrations.

In support of RIN 0651-0AD64 (Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees During Fiscal Year 2025, 89 FR 91898), the USPTO is changing one fee in this information collection.

Table 1: Changes in Fee Amount

Item No.	Fee Code	Item	Current Fee	New Fee	Changes in Fee Amount
1	8021	Patent Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet	\$50	\$54	+\$4

Table 2: Proposed Burden

Item No.	Fee Code	Item	Responses (a)	New Fee (b)	New Non-hour Cost Burden (a) x (b) = (c)
1	8021	Patent Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet	214	\$54	\$11,556
		Totals	214	- - -	\$11,556

Table 3: Changes in Cost

Item No.	Fee Code	Items	Current Cost (a)	New Cost (b)	Change in Non-hour Cost Burden (b) - (a) = (c)
1	8021	Patent Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet	\$10,700	\$11,556	+\$856
		Totals	\$10,700	\$11,556	+\$856

Summary of Changes

The aforementioned rulemaking results in the revision of one fee, with an increase of \$856 in annual non-hourly costs to collection 0651-0027.

Changes in Burden

Burden Type	Currently Approved	Proposed Change	New Estimate
Non-hourly Cost Burden	\$9,148,330	+\$856	\$9,149,186

0651-0027's revised burden is as follows:

- 724,442 annual responses (unchanged)
- 485,376 annual hourly burden (unchanged)
- \$9,149,186 in annual non-hourly burden costs