

Patent Administrators Course 2010/2011

Final Exam 28th April 2011

- (1) You are employed as a Patent Administrator by the firm of Milton & Keynes LLP. The attorney you work for has asked you to prepare a UK patent application, as set out in the internal memo and client's letter in Annex A below. Please complete the accompanying Patents Forms 1, 9A and 7 according to those instructions. **(15 marks)**
- (2) The application in Question 1 was duly filed on 3rd May 2011 and has received the application number GB112345.6.
- a) By what date must the abstract be filed? Show your calculations. **(3 marks)**
- b) By when must the Request for Substantive Examination (Patents Form 10) be filed? **(2 marks)**
- c) When would you file the Patents Form 10 if you wished to obtain combined search and examination? **(1 mark)**
- A2.
- (a) 12 months (1 mark)
from the [earliest] priority date[= the filing date in this case] (1 mark)
= 3rd May 2012 [a Thursday] (1 mark)
- (b) 6 months (1 mark)
From publication of the application ["A" publication] (1 mark)
- (c) Together with the request for search [PF 9A] (1 mark)
- (3) On 1st June 2011, the client of Questions 1 and 2 sold the patent application to Housebuilders plc, of 99 Winter Road, Luton, LU1 2BB. You are provided with Patents Forms 20 and 21. Complete the appropriate Form ready for signature. The Form is to be filed without a copy of the sale agreement. Indicate which company will be the signatory. **(5 marks)**
- A3. 1 mark for correct choice of signatory [The Bedford Brick Company Limited, as Assignor. Note Milton & Keynes may also act as signatory, if they are acting on behalf of all parties, and so indicate on the form]. Otherwise 0.5 mark deduction [from the remaining 4 marks] for each mistake or omission. 0 mark for whole question if wrong form chosen.
- (4) The Intellectual Property office issued a preliminary examination report setting a date of 3rd August 2012 for filing formal ("replacement") drawings on the application above. This client

requires you to seek prior authorisation before incurring significant costs, but is often slow to respond to your reminders. How would you obtain an automatic extension of time for filing the formal drawings? What will be the new date for filing them? **(4 marks)**

- A4. File a written request [no marks for saying use PF52] (1 mark)
Within the extended term (1 mark)
Of extra two months (1 mark)
= 3rd October 2012 [Wednesday] (1 mark)
- (5)** What do each of the codes X, Y and A mean in relation to categories of documents cited in a search report on a UK patent application? **(3 marks)**
- A5. An “X” against a document means that it indicates a lack of novelty or of inventive step on its own, (1 mark)
a “Y” means that it indicates a lack of inventive step if combined with another document in the search report marked with a “Y”; and (1 mark)
an “A” means that the document gives technological background and/or state of the art. (1 mark)
- (6)** A European Patent Application, claiming priority from a Japanese application of 9th March 2010 is filed on 7 March 2011 with a specification in Japanese.
- a) Into what language must the specification be translated? **(1 mark)**
- b) What is the normal time limit for supplying the translation? Show your calculation of the date. **(3 marks)**
- A6. (a) English, French or German (1 mark)
(b) Two months from filing (1 mark)
7th March 2011 + 2 Months = 7th May 2011 (1 mark)
a Saturday, time extended to Monday 9th May 2011 (1 mark)
- (7)** You have received a communication from the EPO, reproduced below.
- a) Calculate the response date. Show your reasoning. **(3 marks)**
- b) What needs to be done in the response? **(5 marks)**
- A7. (a) 28th January 2011

	+ 10 days = 7 th February 2011	(1 mark)
	+ 1 month	(1 mark)
	= 7 th March 2011 [a Monday]	(1 mark)
(b)	File amendments and/or	(1 mark)
	make comments on	(1 mark)
	the objections raised in the WO-ISA	
	Pay the claims fees due	(1 mark)
	for any claims after the 15 th	(1 mark)
	remaining after any amendment as above	(1 mark)



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Date

28-01-2011

Reference FP-10-0822	Application No./Patent No. 091234562 - 1258 PCT/US2009054321
Applicant/Proprietor Alacrity LLC	

Communication pursuant to Rules 161(1) and 162 EPC

1. Correction of deficiencies noted in the written opinion and amendment of the application (R. 161(1) EPC)

The above-mentioned international (Euro-PCT) application has entered the European phase.

The EPO as International Searching Authority and, where a demand under Article 31 PCT was filed, also as International Preliminary Examining Authority has drawn up a written opinion on this application or the EPO as Supplementary International Searching Authority has issued explanations pursuant to Rule 45bis.7(e) PCT to the supplementary international search report.

You are invited to correct any deficiencies noted in the written opinion of the International Searching Authority or in the International Preliminary Examination Report, or in the explanations to the supplementary international search report and to amend the description, claims and any drawings within a **non-extendable period of one month** after notification of the present invitation.

Should you not comply with or comment on this invitation within the time limit, **the application will be deemed to be withdrawn** in accordance with Rule 161(1) EPC.

2. Amendment of application

Under Articles 28, 41 PCT and Rules 52, 78 PCT the application may be amended before a designated or elected Office, and in accordance with Rule 137(2) EPC the applicant may amend the description, claims and drawings of his own volition together with any comments, corrections or amendments made in response to the communication under Rule 161(1) EPC.

Whether or not you have already done so, you now have a further opportunity to file amended claims or other application documents within the above-mentioned period.

If filing amendments, you must identify them and indicate the basis for them in the application as filed. Failure to meet either requirement may lead to a communication from the Examining Division requesting that you correct this deficiency (R. 137(4) EPC).

The claims applicable on expiry of the above period, i.e. those filed on entry into the European phase or in response to the present communication, will form the basis for the calculation of any claims fee to be paid (see page 2).

3. Claims fees under Rule 162 EPC

If the application documents on which the European grant procedure is to be based comprise more than fifteen claims, a claimsfee shall be payable for the sixteenth and each subsequent claim within the period provided for in Rule 159(1) EPC.

- Based on the application documents currently on file, all necessary claims fees have already been paid (or the documents do not comprise more than 15 claims).
- All necessary fees will be/have been debited automatically according to the automatic debit order.
- The claims fees due for the claims 16 to 30 were not paid within the above-mentioned period.

Any outstanding claims fee, either based on the current set of claims or on any amended claims to be filed pursuant to Rule 161 EPC (see page 1), may still be validly paid within a **non-extendable period of one month** after notification of this communication (R. 162(2) EPC).

If a payment is made for only some of the claims, you must indicate for which claims it is intended. If a claims fee is not paid in due time, the claim concerned is deemed to be abandoned (R. 162(4) EPC).

If claims fees have already been paid, but on expiry of the above-mentioned period there is a new set of claims containing fewer fee-incurring claims than before, the claims fees in excess of those due under Rule 162(2), second sentence EPC will be refunded (R. 162(3) EPC).

The claims fee is currently

**EUR 210 for the 16th and each subsequent claim up to the limit of 50
EUR 525 for the 51st and each subsequent claim**

Note to users of the automatic debiting procedure

Unless the EPO receives prior instructions to the contrary, the fees for all claims incurring fees will be debited on the last day of the period for payment. For further details see the Arrangements for the automatic debiting procedure, Supplement to OJ EPO 3/2009.

Important information concerning fee amounts

Following any amendment to the Rules relating to Fees, the amount(s) mentioned in this communication may be different from the amount(s) **actually due on the date of payment**. The latest version of the Schedule of fees and expenses, published as a Supplement to the Official Journal of the EPO, is also available on the EPO website (www.epo.org) and can be found under www.epoline.org, which allows the viewing, downloading and searching for individual fee amounts, both current and previous.

Payments by cheque delivered or sent direct to the EPO are no longer accepted as from 1 April 2008 (see OJ EPO 2007, 626).

For the Examining Division



- (8)** On 18th February 2011, you filed a European Divisional Application derived from a European Patent Application filed on 8th July 2009 and claiming priority of 11th September 2008. This is also the priority date claimed by the Divisional Application.

When is the first renewal fee payable for the Divisional Application? Give your reasons.

(5 marks)

- A8. 2 Years (1 mark)
from the filing date of the Parent Application. (1 mark)
8th July 2009 + 2 Years = 8th July 2011 (1 mark)
Payable at the end of the month = 31st July 2011 (1 mark)
A Sunday. Term extended Monday 1st August 2011 (1 mark)

- (9)** You have received a communication from the EPO, reproduced below.

a) Calculate the response date and show your reasoning. **(6 marks)**

b) What needs to be done in the response?

(You do not need to consider amendments) **(3 marks)**

A9.

- (a) 3rd February 2011 (1 mark)
Plus 10 days (1 mark)
= 13th February 2011 (1 mark)
Plus 4 months (1 mark)
= 13th June 2011 (1 mark)
Which is Whit Monday, so response due 14th June 2011 (1 mark)
- (b) Pay the grant and publishing fee (1 mark)
File translation of the claims (1 mark)
into French and German (1 mark)
[No extra claims fees due].

Question 9



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Application No. 08 654321.0 - 2313	Ref. FP-10-0685	Date 03.02.2011
Applicant Alacrity LLC		

Communication under Rule 71(3) EPC

You are informed that the Examining Division intends to grant a European patent on the basis of the above application with the text and drawings as indicated below:

In the text for the Contracting States:

AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HR HU IE IS IT LI LT LU LV MC MT NL NO PL PT RO SE
SI SK TR

Description, Pages

1-3, 5-11 as published
4 filed with entry into the regional phase before the EPO

Claims, Numbers

1-15 filed with entry into the regional phase before the EPO

Drawings, Sheets

1/5-5/5 as published

A copy of the relevant documents is enclosed

The title of the invention in the three official languages of the European Patent Office, the international patent classification, the designated Contracting States, the registered name of the applicant and the bibliographic data are shown on the attached EPO Form 2056.

You are requested within a non-extendable period of **four months** of notification of this communication

1.	to file 1 set of translations of the claim(s) in the two other EPO official languages;		EUR
2.	to pay the fee for grant and publishing;	Reference 007	830.00
3.	to pay the additional claims fee(s) (Rule 71(6) EPC) number of claims fees payable:	Reference 016	0.00
		Total amount	830.00

The mention of the grant of the patent shall be published in the European Patent Bulletin as soon as possible after the requirements concerning the translation of the claims and the payment of the fees for grant and publishing, claims fees, designation fee and renewal fees as laid down in Rule 71(3), (4), (6) and (8) and (9) EPC are fulfilled.

If you do not approve the text intended for grant but wish to request amendments or corrections, the procedure described in Rule 71(4) EPC is to be followed.

If filing amendments, you must identify them and indicate the basis for them in the application as filed. Failure to meet either requirement may lead to a communication from the Examining Division requesting that you correct this deficiency (R. 137(4) EPC).

If this communication is based upon an auxiliary request, and you reply within the time limit set that you maintain the main or a higher ranking request which is not allowable, the application will be refused (Art. 97(2) EPC).

If the enclosed claims contain amendments proposed by the Examining Division, and you reply within the time limit set that you cannot accept these amendments, refusal of the application under Article 97(2) EPC will result if agreement cannot be reached on the text for grant.

In all cases except those of the previous two paragraphs, if the fees for grant and publishing or claims fees are not paid, or the translations are not filed, in due time, the European patent application will be deemed to be withdrawn (R. 71(7) EPC).

For all payments you are requested to use EPO Form 1010 or EPO Form 1010E or to refer to the relevant reference number.

After publication, the European patent specification can be downloaded free of charge from the EPO publication server <https://data.epo.org/publication-server/> or ordered from the Vienna sub-office upon payment of a fee (OJ EPO 2005, 126).

Upon request in writing each proprietor will receive the certificate for the European patent **together with one copy** of the patent specification provided that the request is filed within the time limit of Rule 71(3) EPC. If such request has been previously filed, it has to be confirmed within the time limit of Rule 71(3) EPC. The requested copy is free of charge. If the request is filed after expiry of the Rule 71(3) EPC time limit, the certificate will be delivered without a copy of the patent specification (R.74 EPC, Decision of the President of the EPO, Special edition No.3, OJ EPO 2007, D.2).

Filing of a divisional application

Any divisional application relating to this European patent application must be filed directly with the European Patent Office in Munich, The Hague or Berlin and shall be in the language of the proceedings relating to the present application (cf. Article 76(1) and Rule 36(2) EPC). Any such divisional application must be filed while the present application is still pending and the time limit for filing divisional applications must be observed (Rule 36(1) EPC; Guidelines for Examination in the EPO, A-IV, 1.1.1).

Note on payment of renewal fees

If a renewal fee falls due between notification of the present communication and the proposed date of publication of the mention of the grant of the European patent, publication will be effected only after the renewal fee and any additional fee have been paid (R. 71(9) EPC).

Under Article 86(2) EPC, the obligation to pay renewal fees to the European Patent Office terminates with the payment of the renewal fee due in respect of the year in which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published.

Filing of translations in the Contracting States

As regards translation requirements prescribed by the Contracting States under Article 65(1) EPC, please consult the website of the European Patent Office
www.epo.org → Patents → Law → Legal texts → National law relating to the EPC
www.epo.org → Patents → Law → Legal texts → London Agreement

In case of a valid extension

As regards translation requirements prescribed by the Extension States, please consult the website of the European Patent Office
www.epo.org → Patents → Law → Legal texts → National law relating to the EPC

Failure to supply a prescribed translation in a Contracting State or an Extension State may result in the patent being deemed to be void *ab initio* in the State concerned (Article 65(3) EPC).

Important note to users of the automatic debiting procedure

The fees for grant and publishing and also any additional claims fees due under Rule 71(6) EPC will be debited automatically on the date of filing of the translation of the (relevant) claims, or on the last day of the period of this communication. However, if the designation fee becomes due as set out in Rule 71(8) EPC and/or a renewal fee becomes due as set out in Rule 71(9) EPC, these should be paid separately by another permitted means of payment in order not to delay the publication of the mention of grant. The same applies in these circumstances to the payment of extension fees. For further details see the Arrangements for the automatic debiting procedure (AAD) and accompanying Information from the EPO concerning the automatic debiting procedure (Annexes A.1 and A.2 to the Arrangements for deposit accounts (ADA) in Supplement to OJ EPO 3/2009).

(10) A European Patent Application contains the following pages:

Request form 7 pages
Description 26 Pages
Drawings 5 Sheets
Claims 4 pages
Abstract 1 Page.

Is an additional fee payable?

Give your reasons.

(2.5 marks)

A10. Yes. (0.5 marks)

Additional fee is payable if the application has more than 35 Pages (1 mark)

Pages to be counted are Description, Drawings, Claims and Abstract — 36 Pages.

(1 mark)

(11) Who may apply for:

(i) A UK Patent

(ii) A European Patent

(iii) A PCT Application?

(3 marks)

A11. (i) Anyone (0.5 marks)

(ii) Anyone (0.5 marks)

(iii) A resident or national of a contracting state, (1 mark)

alone or with any other person. (1 mark)

(12) What are the minimum requirements for a PCT application to obtain a filing date?

(5 marks)

A12. The application must contain the following elements:

(i) An indication that it is intended as an international (i.e. PCT) application;

(ii) The designation of at least one Contracting State;

(iii) The name of the applicant,

(iv) A part which on its face appears to be a description;

(v) A part which on the face of it appears to a claim or claims. (1 mark each)

(13) A PCT application is filed on 25th June 2010 at the UK IPO as Receiving Office claiming priority of 27th June 2009. The ISR was issued on 27th February 2011. A Demand was filed on 27th April 2011 at the IB. What will happen? **(3 marks)**

A13. The IB will forward the demand to the IPEA (1 mark)

which is the EPO. (1 mark)

The filing date will be maintained. (1 mark)

(14) In respect of the PCT application referred to in Question 13, what is the date for entering:

- (i) the European regional phase
- (ii) the US national phase?

Show your calculations. **(5 marks)**

- A14. (i) 31 months (1 mark)
From priority (1 mark)
= 27th January 2012 (Friday) (1 mark)
- (ii) 30 months (1 mark)
From priority
= 27th December 2011 (Tuesday) (1 mark)

(15) A negative written opinion is issued by the ISA in connection with a PCT Application. No "Demand" or response is filed. What will happen? **(2.5 marks)**

- A15. A response is not essential. (0.5 marks)
An IPRP will be issued (1 mark)
based on the written opinion. (1 mark)

(16) A UK design application was filed on 22nd February 2011, claiming priority of a US design patent application filed on 23rd August 2010. Giving your reasons:

- a) What is the latest date for answering all official objections against the application? **(3 marks)**
- b) By when must you file a certified copy of the U.S. design application in support of the priority claim? **(4 marks)**
- c) What is the latest date for paying the first renewal fee as of right, including extensions of time? **(5 marks)**

- A16. (a) 12 months (1 mark)
From the UK filing date (1 mark)
= 22nd February 2012 [a Wednesday] (1 mark)
- (b) 3 months (1 mark)
from the UK filing date (1 mark)
= 22nd May 2011 (1 mark)
A Sunday, so latest date is Monday 23rd May 2011 (1 mark)

- (c) 1st renewal date is 5 years (1 mark)
- from the UK filing date (1 mark)
- = 22nd February 2016 (1 mark)
- + 6 months extension (1 mark)
- = 22nd August 2016 [a Tuesday] (1 mark)

(17) What is a trade mark? **(2 marks)**

A17. A {brand}/{sign} (1 mark)
 Distinctive of {origin}/{the owner} (1 mark)

(18) For each of the following, is VAT payable in a bill to a UK client?

- a) UK IPO fees
- b) Service charges in your office
- c) Overseas attorney fees
- d) Postage **(2 marks)**

A18. (a) N (b) Y (c) Y (d) Y (0.5 marks each)

(19) List four examples of what is required to be in place in a patent firm or department to meet the “all due care” requirement for reinstatement of lost rights at the EPO. **(2 marks)**

A19. Any reasonable answers accepted. The notes mention (based on Board of Appeal caselaw):

- 1) Detailed knowledge of the EPC and its interpretation
- 2) Availability of relevant literature, e.g. OJEPO
- 3) Such office systems as are capable of ensuring that failure to adhere to time limits shall not occur
- 4) Reasonable care in the choice of employees
- 5) Instruction of employees in detail as to their duties
- 6) Regular supervision of employees to ensure their duties are performed correctly.

(20) Which of the following time limits:

- a) are set by officials such as Patent Examiners
- b) Run from other events in the application or registration process?
 - i. Supplying an address for service to the UK IPO where this is required
 - ii. Claiming priority under the Paris Convention
 - iii. Paying the publication fee on a UK design application
 - iv. Paying an additional search fee to the ISA in a PCT application **(2 marks)**

A20. (a) i., iv. (b) ii., iii.

(0.5 marks each)

Annex A

Milton & Keynes Internal Memorandum

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Case ref. AIP-11-04

Dear Administrator,

New UK Patent Application "House Brick"

Please prepare the forms for filing a UK patent application, the first filing for this invention. Please use the information in the attached letter from the client.

To save time and minimise costs, the application should be filed with informal drawings, inventorship details and a search request, but no request for substantive examination at this stage. I have prepared a description and claims, but the abstract will be prepared and filed later.

Please prepare the necessary forms for fax filing on 3rd May 2011. The fee sheet will be prepared by the accounts department.

The inventor is:

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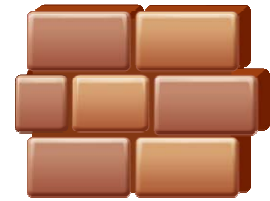
He is an employee of The Bedford Brick Company Limited, and the statement of inventorship should therefore read, "By virtue of employment of the Inventor by the Applicant and by virtue of S.39(1)."

Many thanks,

Alf Pangloss

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24th April 2011

Dear Alf,

Thank you for your letter of 28th February 2011.

I have finally had the chance to review the draft patent specification, and it looks absolutely fine. It always amazes me how you chaps manage to write so much about such simple ideas. Sixteen pages of description, indeed. The two pages of claims really do seem to have captured the essence of the invention and its main advantages. You assured me on the phone that the three sheets of sketch drawings can be tidied up later, ready for official publication. In view of this, they are likewise OK.

We are exhibiting the bricks concerned at the National Building Materials Show in Birmingham on 4th May 2011. However, please hold off filing until near to close of business on 3rd May 2011, in case we have any last minute afterthoughts.

Best regards,

Stuart Tudorby
Stuart Tudorby
Managing Director
The Bedford Brick Company Limited

Patents Form 1

 Patents Act 1977 (*Rule 12*)

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Request for grant of a patent

(An explanatory leaflet on how to fill in this form is available from the office)

Application number GB

1	Your reference: <i>(optional)</i>	AIP-11-04		
2	Full name, address and postcode of the applicant or of each applicant (<i>underline all surnames</i>): The name(s) and address(es) provided here will be published as part of the application process (see warning note below) Patents ADP number (<i>if you know it</i>):	THE BEDFORD BRICK COMPANY LIMITED Fletton Works Brickhill Road Sandy Bedfordshire LU20 6BN United Kingdom		
3	Title of the invention:	HOUSE BRICK		
4	Name of your agent (<i>if you have one</i>): "Address for service" to which all correspondence should be sent (<i>including postcode</i>). This may be in the European Economic area or Channel Islands: (see warning note below) Patents ADP number (<i>if you know it</i>):	MILTON & KEYNES LLP MILTON & KEYNES LLP 200 Midsummer Boulevard Bedford MK14 3JJ United Kingdom		
5	Priority declaration: Are you claiming priority from one or more earlier-filed patent applications? If so, please give details of the application(s):	Country	Application number <i>(if you know it)</i>	Date of filing <i>(day / month / year)</i>
6	Divisionals etc: Is this application a divisional application, or being made following resolution of an entitlement dispute about an earlier application? If so, please give the application number and filing date of the earlier application:	Number of earlier UK application	Date of filing <i>(day / month / year)</i>	
7	Inventorship: (Inventors must be individuals not companies) Are all the applicants named above also inventors? If yes, are there any other inventors?	(Please tick the appropriate boxes)		
		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
8	Are you paying the application fee with this form?	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	

Patents Form 1

- 9 Accompanying documents:
please enter the number of pages of
each item accompanying this form:

Continuation sheets of this form:	-
Description:	16
Claim(s):	2
Abstract:	-
Drawing(s):	3

If you are not filing a description, please
give details of the previous application
you are going to rely upon:

Country	Application number	Date of filing (day / month / year)
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- 10 If you are also filing any of the following,
state how many against each item.

Priority documents:	-
Statement of inventorship and right to grant of a patent (<i>Patents Form 7</i>):	1
Request for search (<i>Patents Form 9A</i>):	1
Request for substantive examination (<i>Patents Form 10</i>):	-
Any other documents:(please specify)	-

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- 11 I/We request the grant of a patent on the basis of this application.

Signature(s): Milton & Keynes LLP	Date: 03/05/2011
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- 12 Name, e-mail address, telephone,
fax and/or mobile number, if any,
of a contact point for the applicant:
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Warning

After an application for a patent has been filed, the Comptroller will consider whether publication or communication of the invention should be prohibited or restricted under section 22 of the Patents Act 1977. You will be informed if it is necessary to prohibit or restrict your invention in this way. Furthermore, if you are resident in the United Kingdom and your application contains information which relates to military technology, or would be prejudicial to national security or the safety of the public, section 23 of the Patents Act 1977 prohibits you from applying for a patent abroad without first getting written permission from the Office unless an application has been filed at least 6 weeks beforehand in the United Kingdom for a patent for the same invention and either no direction prohibiting publication or communication has been given, or any such direction has been revoked. Until such time or until the revocation of any direction, for any such application the address for service referred to at part 4 above must be in the United Kingdom.

In all other cases, the name of the applicant will be published shortly after filing, together with the title of the invention. Later, when the whole application is published, most information and documents filed in relation to the application will become publicly available. **The name and address of the applicant will be published on our website and may appear in external search engine results.** You should provide a business or PO Box address if you do not want your home address published.

Although you may have an address for service in the Channel Islands, any agent instructed to act for you must reside or have a place of business in the European Economic Area or Isle of Man.

Notes

A leaflet on how to fill in this form is available from the Office. If you would like a copy of the leaflet it is available on our website at <http://www.ipo.gov.uk/fact01.pdf> or alternatively you could telephone 0300 300 2000 or send an email to information@ipo.gov.uk to request a copy.

Patents Form 7

Patents Act 1977 (*Rule 10*)

Statement of inventorship and of right to grant of a patent

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1.	Your reference	AIP-11-04
2.	Patent application number <i>(if you know it)</i>	
3.	Full name of the or of each applicant	THE BEDFORD BRICK COMPANY LIMITED
4.	Title of the invention	HOUSE BRICK
5.	State how the applicant(s) derived the right from the inventor(s) to be granted a patent	By virtue of employment of the Inventor by the Applicant and by virtue of Section 39(1).
6.	How many, if any, additional Patents Forms 7 are attached to this form? <i>(see note (c))</i>	None
7.		I/We believe that the person(s) named over the page <i>(and on any extra copies of this form)</i> is/are the inventor(s) of the invention which the above patent application relates to. Signature Milton & Keynes LLP Date 03/05/2011
8.	Name, e-mail address, telephone, fax and/or mobile number, if any, of a contact point for the applicant.	Alfred Pangloss 01485209115 enquiries@mank.eu

Notes

- If you need help to fill in this form or you have any questions, please contact the Office on 0300 300 2000.*
- Write your answers in capital letters using black ink or you may type them.*
- If there are more than three inventors, please write the names and addresses of the other inventors on the back of another Patents Form 7 and attach it to this form.*
- Once you have filled in the form remember to sign and date it.*

Patents Form 7

Enter the full names, addresses and postcodes of the Inventors in the boxes and underline the surnames

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