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**Via Email: [scott.mcgrath@oasis-open.org](mailto:scott.mcgrath@oasis-open.org) (original to follow via FedEx)**

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Re: Mark:   
Reg. No.: 5,333,724  
Reg. Date: November 14, 2017  
Our Ref.: 000090-301001

Dear Scott:

Enclosed please find the original Certificate of Registration for the mark shown above, on the Principal Register in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The effective date of registration is November 14, 2017. Congratulations on obtaining this recognition for your mark.

You should now begin using the ® designation with this particular trademark, in a conspicuous location closely proximate to the mark. Many trademark owners choose to display the designation in a postscript or superscript manner.

Please also note the need for filing Section 8 and Section 15 Affidavits during the sixth year after the date of registration of the mark. If the mark is still in use during the sixth year after registration, a Section 8 Affidavit must be filed claiming that the mark is still in use, otherwise the mark will be deemed abandoned and will be canceled by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The Section 8 Affidavit may be filed anytime starting on the fifth anniversary of the registration of the mark through the sixth anniversary of the registration of the mark. In this particular case, the Section 8 Affidavit must be filed sometime between November 14, 2022 and November 14, 2023. Please mark your corporate calendar accordingly.

A Section 15 Affidavit provides the Trademark Office with a claim of incontestability, and strengthens the registration of the mark, so long as it has been used for 5 consecutive years. The Section 15 Affidavit must also be filed within the same time frame as the Section 8 Affidavit. Often, we file both Affidavits in the form of a Combined Section 8 and Section 15 Affidavit.

Please also note the requirement for filing a Section 9 renewal application, during the twelve month period before the tenth anniversary of registration. The renewal may not be filed prior to the twelve month period, and should be filed no later than the tenth anniversary, but it may be filed within a six month "grace period" after the tenth anniversary. In this particular

case, an Application for Renewal should be filed during the twelve month period prior to November 14, 2027. An Application for Renewal filed during the six-month grace period is subject to the payment of an additional fee. Please also mark your corporate calendar with the time period for the filing of the Application for Renewal.

Also, under the Trademark Law Treaty Implementation Act, effective on October 30, 1999, all registrants must file an additional Section 8 Affidavit of Continued Use at the same ten year anniversary period for the filing of an Application for Renewal.

We will also add these deadlines to our trademark database, but due to the length of time between now and then, it is best to use our "tickler" system only as a back-up.

You may also want to consider the initiation of a "watching service," wherein we can provide you with notice should any other trademark applicant seek to register a mark similar to your registered mark. Should that occur, you will only have 30 days' time within which to file a Notice of Opposition from the date of another's publication of a similar mark. For this reason, we recommend the initiation of a watching service which we can provide for you on an annual basis. Please let us know if you so desire to initiate a watching service. Our fee for such service is \$700 per year for U.S. word marks. For a United States watching service for the design elements of a design mark, our fee is \$750 per year. If the mark contains both word and design elements to be watched, we can offer that combined service for \$1,400 per year.

Again, congratulations on obtaining registration. We look forward to assisting you with any future needs for your mark.

Yours truly,



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Enclosure

# United States of America

United States Patent and Trademark Office

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**Reg. No. 5,333,724**

**Registered Nov. 14, 2017**

**Int. Cl.: 35**

**Service Mark**

**Principal Register**

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CLASS 35: Association services, namely promoting the interests of web service providers that use open application integration in computer and communication systems to permit interoperability of applications software

FIRST USE 2-27-2002; IN COMMERCE 2-27-2002

The mark consists of the letters "WS", a right-facing triangle, and the letter "I", on a single line.

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Under Secretary of Commerce for  
Intellectual Property and Director of the  
United States Patent and Trademark Office

**REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN YOUR FEDERAL TRADEMARK REGISTRATION**

**WARNING: YOUR REGISTRATION WILL BE CANCELLED IF YOU DO NOT FILE THE DOCUMENTS BELOW DURING THE SPECIFIED TIME PERIODS.**

**Requirements in the First Ten Years\***

**What and When to File:**

- **First Filing Deadline:** You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) between the 5th and 6th years after the registration date. See 15 U.S.C. §§1058, 1141k. If the declaration is accepted, the registration will continue in force for the remainder of the ten-year period, calculated from the registration date, unless cancelled by an order of the Commissioner for Trademarks or a federal court.
- **Second Filing Deadline:** You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) and an Application for Renewal between the 9th and 10th years after the registration date.\* See 15 U.S.C. §1059.

**Requirements in Successive Ten-Year Periods\***

**What and When to File:**

- You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) and an Application for Renewal between every 9th and 10th-year period, calculated from the registration date.\*

**Grace Period Filings\***

The above documents will be accepted as timely if filed within six months after the deadlines listed above with the payment of an additional fee.

**\*ATTENTION MADRID PROTOCOL REGISTRANTS:** The holder of an international registration with an extension of protection to the United States under the Madrid Protocol must timely file the Declarations of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) referenced above directly with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The time periods for filing are based on the U.S. registration date (not the international registration date). The deadlines and grace periods for the Declarations of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) are identical to those for nationally issued registrations. See 15 U.S.C. §§1058, 1141k. However, owners of international registrations do not file renewal applications at the USPTO. Instead, the holder must file a renewal of the underlying international registration at the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization, under Article 7 of the Madrid Protocol, before the expiration of each ten-year term of protection, calculated from the date of the international registration. See 15 U.S.C. §1141j. For more information and renewal forms for the international registration, see <http://www.wipo.int/madrid/en/>.

**NOTE: Fees and requirements for maintaining registrations are subject to change. Please check the USPTO website for further information. With the exception of renewal applications for registered extensions of protection, you can file the registration maintenance documents referenced above online at <http://www.uspto.gov>.**

**NOTE: A courtesy e-mail reminder of USPTO maintenance filing deadlines will be sent to trademark owners/holders who authorize e-mail communication and maintain a current e-mail address with the USPTO. To ensure that e-mail is authorized and your address is current, please use the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS) Correspondence Address and Change of Owner Address Forms available at <http://www.uspto.gov>.**



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- Elimination of paper applications and supporting documents.
- Copies of the certificate issued by the registering agency (U.S. Patent and Trademark Office or the Copyright Office) are retained by the right holder, not submitted to CBP.
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- Ability to upload images of the protected work or trademark, thus obviating the need to send samples to CBP.
- Reduced time from filing of the application to enforcement by field personnel.

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All **official correspondence** about your registration will be from the "**United States Patent and Trademark Office**" in Alexandria, VA, and, if by email, from the domain "**@uspto.gov.**" Our email reminders will direct you to make the necessary filings and pay the associated fees online through TEAS, and will not request any fees by mail.

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