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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 5

PATENTS: MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Supplementary searches

- 4 In section 18 of the Patents Act 1977 (substantive examination and grant or refusal of patent), after subsection (1) insert—
- “(1A) If the examiner forms the view that a supplementary search under section 17 above is required for which a fee is payable, he shall inform the comptroller, who may decide that the substantive examination should not proceed until the fee is paid; and if he so decides, then unless within such period as he may allow—
- (a) the fee is paid, or
 - (b) the application is amended so as to render the supplementary search unnecessary,
- he may refuse the application.”.

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