STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Patents Rules 1995

RIGHT TO APPLY FOR AND OBTAIN A PATENT

Reference to the comptroller under section 11(5)

13.—(1) Where, following the making of such an order as is mentioned in section 11(2), a question is referred to the comptroller under subsection (5) of section 11 or that subsection as applied by section 12(5) as to whether any person is entitled to be granted a licence or whether the period or terms of a licence are reasonable, the reference shall be made on Patents Form 2/77 and shall be accompanied by a copy thereof and a statement in duplicate setting out fully the question referred, the facts upon which the person making the reference relies and the period or terms of the licence which he is prepared to accept or grant.

(2) The comptroller shall send a copy of the reference and statement to every person in whose name the application is to proceed or, as the case may be, every person claiming to be entitled to be granted a licence, in either case not being the person who makes the reference, and if any recipient does not agree to grant or accept a licence for such period and upon such terms, he shall, within the period of two months beginning on the date when the copies are sent to him, file a counter-statement in duplicate setting out fully the grounds of his objection and the comptroller shall send a copy of the counter-statement to the person making the reference.

(3) The comptroller may give such directions as he may think fit with regard to the subsequent procedure.