

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS**Copyright Office****[Docket No. 2001-7 CARP SD 2000]****Ascertainment of Controversy for the 2000 and 2001 Satellite Royalty Funds****AGENCY:** Copyright Office, Library of Congress.**ACTION:** Suspension of filing deadline and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress is suspending the current filing deadline for comments and Notices of Intent to Participate for distribution of the 2000 and 2001 satellite royalty funds and seeks comment on a request for a new filing deadline of January 15, 2002.

DATES: Comments are due no later than December 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: If sent by mail, an original and five copies of written comments should be addressed to: Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024. If hand delivered, an original and five copies should be brought to: Office of the General Counsel, James Madison Memorial Building, Room 403, First and Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, DC 20540.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David O. Carson, General Counsel, or William J. Roberts, Jr., Senior Attorney for Compulsory Licenses, Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panels, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone (202) 707-8380. Telefax: (202) 252-3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year satellite carriers submit royalties to the Copyright Office for the retransmission of over-the-air broadcast signals to their subscribers. 17 U.S.C. 119. These royalties are, in turn, distributed in one of two ways to copyright owners whose works were included in a retransmission of an over-the-air broadcast signal and who timely filed a claim for royalties with the Copyright Office. The copyright owners may either negotiate the terms of a settlement as to the division of the royalty fees, or the Librarian of Congress may convene a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel ("CARP") to determine the distribution of the royalty fees that remain in controversy. See 17 U.S.C. chapter 8.

On October 30, 2001, the Library of Congress published a Notice in the *Federal Register* requesting comments from interested parties as to the existence of controversies over the distribution of 2000 satellite royalty fees

collected under 17 U.S.C. 119.66 FR 54789 (October 30, 2001). The Library requested that interested parties submit their comments, along with Notices of Intent to Participate in the 2000 distribution proceeding, by November 29, 2001. In addition, the Library sought comment on a petition for royalty distribution filed by the Public Broadcasting Service ("PBS"), seeking collection of 2000 and 2001 royalties submitted under 17 U.S.C. 119(b) for the PBS satellite feed.

On November 6, 2001, the Motion Picture Association of America, Inc. ("MPAA") filed a motion seeking an extension of the November 29, 2001, deadline to January 15, 2002. MPAA's motion can be found at <http://www.loc.gov/copyright/carp/mpaamotion.pdf>. MPAA asserts that it cannot submit its Notice of Intent to Participate until the Copyright Office completes its examination of claims filed for the 2000 satellite funds. Once this examination is completed, MPAA will need time to secure representation agreements from its claimants before submitting its Notice of Intent to Participate. The extension of the filing period until January 15, 2002 will, in the opinion of MPAA, allow it sufficient time to prepare its Notice.

In order to consider MPAA's motion, it is necessary to suspend the current filing deadline of November 29, 2001. Consequently, interested parties need not file at this time their comments on the existence of controversies to the distribution of the 2000 satellite royalty funds, their comments on the PBS motion for distribution, or their Notices of Intent to Participate until further notice.

In the meantime, the Library seeks comment as to MPAA's motion and the advisability of extending the filing deadline until January 15, 2002, for comments on the existence of controversies and Notices of Intent to Participate.

Dated: November 19, 2001.

David O. Carson,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**[Notice (01-148)]****Notice of Prospective Patent License**

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Prospective Patent License.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Digital Interface Systems, Inc., 241 Federal Plaza West, Suite 204, Youngstown, Ohio 44503, has applied for an exclusive license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,905,568, entitled "Stereo Imaging Velocimetry," which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Glenn Research Center.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by December 10, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kent N. Stone, Patent Attorney, NASA Glenn Research Center, 21000 Brookpark Road, Cleveland, OH 44135, telephone (216) 433-8855.

Dated: November 14, 2001.

Edward A. Frankle,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**[Notice (01-149)]****Notice of Prospective Patent License**

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Prospective Patent License.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Femto Trace, Inc. of La Crescenta, California, has applied for an exclusive license to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 4,649,278, entitled "Generation of Intense Negative Ion Beams," U.S. Patent No. 4,933,551, entitled "Reversal Electron Attachment Ionizer for Detection of Trace Species," U.S. Patent No. 5,374,828, entitled "Method for Trace Oxygen Detection," and U.S. Patent No. 5,670,378, entitled "Electron Reversal Ionizer for Detection of Trace Species Using a Spherical Cathode," all of which are assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to the NASA Management Office—JPL.

Responses to this notice must be received by December 10, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Kusmiss, Patent Counsel, NASA