Patent Public Advisory Committee Meeting
Budget Update

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July 14, 2011
Projected Fee Collection range (as of May 31, 2011): $2,106 to $2,490 million

- Patents: $1,894 to $2,265 million
- Trademarks: $212 to $236 million

Projected end of year Patent surplus (as of May 31, 2011): $54 - $415 million

Projected obligation (as of May 31, 2011): $2,189 million

- Patents: $1,976 million (90.3%)
- Trademarks: $213 million (9.7%)
America Invents Act

- In anticipation of the passage of the America Invents Act, the USPTO is starting the process required for Patent Examiner hires.

- Once the bill is signed, the USPTO will review funding requirements for items previously frozen.
FY 2012 Status

FY 2011 funding level is critical to FY 2012

- If USPTO is held to a full year CR level of $2,090 million, the agency will be forced to implement significant cuts to avoid a budget deficit.
- FY 2011 reductions have been made and monitored to secure a carryover balance for October 1, 2011.

Preparing for various FY 2012 scenarios

- Ranges from a full year CR to the President’s Budget level.
- Scenarios are with and without the passage of the America Invents Act.
FY 2013 Budget Formulation Process

July
- CFO briefs DoC on budget recommendations
- PPAC provides feedback on FY 2013 budget initiatives

August
- Submit draft FY 2013 Budget to DoC and PPAC for review
- DoC and PPAC’s feedback incorporated into budget document

September
- FY 2013 OMB Budget Request is finalized
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