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Romanian (RO) Pipeline Patents

This is a revision of the IPG - Newsletter 2000/02. We have now received the authentic description for pipeline patents from the Romanian Patent Office.

In 1998, the law on transitional protection of patents for inventions (No.93/1998) came into force. This new law provides protection to those technical solutions patented abroad that were deemed unpatentable under the former patent law in Romania.

Through this law, more than 400 applications and trademarks have been filed.

The basic conditions to obtain transitional protection are as follows:

- a) A valid patent in the country of origin.
- b) The product to which the patent relates had not already been marketed in Romania before 31 December 1993.
- c) The application for the grant of transitional protection was filed within six months of date on which the law entered into force, namely the 13 May 1998.

The new document type will be C1 in the INPADOC Services:

RO C1pipeline patent

In addition, a new kind code "B" was created for those patents that were published after the publication of the Patent Specification.

RO B.....patent (second publication)

RO B1.....patent (first publication)

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