

SMALL ENTITY VERIFICATION FORM

(PCT Application with International Filing Date After October 1, 1996)

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We hereby declare that we have read and understood the Definition of a Small Entity as set out below. We hereby confirm that as of the International Filing Date and the Date of National Entry, we were a small entity in accordance with the definition. We verily believe, therefore, that we are qualified as a small entity under Canadian practice as defined in Section 2 of the Patent Rules.

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at _____ this _____ day
(place)
of _____ , 20____.

By: _____
(signature)

(name)

(title/position)

POST-OCTOBER 1, 1996 DEFINITION OF SMALL ENTITY

"small entity" in respect of an invention, means an entity that employs 50 or fewer employees or that is a university, but does not include an entity that:

(a) has transferred or licensed, or is under a contractual or other legal obligation to transfer or license, any right in the invention to an entity, other than a university, that employs more than 50 employees; or

(b) has transferred or licensed, or is under a contractual or other legal obligation to transfer or license, any right in the invention to an entity that employs 50 or fewer employees or that is a university, and has knowledge of any subsequent transfer or license of, or of any subsisting contractual or other legal obligation to transfer or license, any right in the invention to an entity, other than a university, that employs more than 50 employees.

Please note that the onus of correctly determining small entity status is ultimately the responsibility of the owner. An incorrect claim to small entity status, regardless of whether it was inadvertent or intended, will result in an invalid and unenforceable patent.