

**Subject:** Request made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act

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**Background:**

On Wednesday, May 14, 2014, for many hours up to and including midnight marking the end of May 14, USPTO failed to make any of its three electronic filing systems (EFS-Web for registered filers, EFS-Web for non-registered filers, and EFS-Web Contingency) available for the filing of non-provisional utility patent applications.

This forced many customers of the USPTO who would normally have used EFS-Web to file non-provisional utility patent applications by non-electronic means, namely on paper or by hand-carry to the USPTO on May 14.

**Description of the records sought:**

1. Records indicating the number of non-provisional utility patent applications (not including reissue applications) which were filed by mail or hand delivery on Wednesday, May 14, 2014.
2. Records indicating the number of non-provisional utility patent applications (not including reissue applications) which were filed by mail or hand delivery on Tuesday, May 13, 2014.
3. Records indicating the number of non-provisional utility patent applications (not including reissue applications) which were filed by mail or hand delivery on Thursday, May 15, 2014.
4. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 14, 2014.
5. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 2090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 14, 2014.
6. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 14, 2014.
7. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 2690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 14, 2014.
8. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 13, 2014.
9. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code

2090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 13, 2014.

10. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 13, 2014.

11. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 2690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 13, 2014.

12. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 15, 2014.

13. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 2090 (non-electronic utility filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 15, 2014.

14. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 1690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for non-small entity) for patent applications filed on May 15, 2014.

15. Records indicating the number of times that USPTO imposed fee code 2690 (non-electronic PCT filing fee for small entity) for patent applications filed on May 15, 2014.

As for each of these fifteen requests, if it will save work for the USPTO merely to state the number rather than to locate and produce the records sought which are indicative of the number, USPTO is encouraged and authorized simply to state the number.

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