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Sincerely,  
Rolland A. Schmitt  
Assistant Administrator  
for Fisheries

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: April 6, 1998.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

#### Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters; Notice of Open Meeting; Change of Location

**ACTION:** Notice is hereby given of a change in location of the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters on April 14, 1998. This notice also contains an updated agenda for the meeting.

**REFERENCE:** This notice amends the original notice of open meeting published in the **Federal Register** on March 30, 1998. Citation: 63 FR 15178.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 1998 from 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** The meeting will be held at the National Association of Broadcasters, 1771 N Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Edwards, Designated Federal Officer and Telecommunications Policy Specialist, at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration; U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4720; 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.; Washington, DC 20230. Telephone: 202-482-8056; Fax: 202-482-8058; E-mail: piac@ntia.doc.gov.

**MEDIA INQUIRIES:** Please contact Paige Darden at the Office of Public Affairs, at 202-482-7002.

#### Agenda

*Tuesday, April 14*

Opening remarks  
Briefing on the NAB survey of  
broadcasters' public service  
activities

Committee deliberations  
Public comment

Committee business  
Closing remarks

This agenda is subject to change. For an updated, more detailed agenda, please check the Advisory Committee homepage at [www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/pubintadvcom/pubint.htm).

**Shirl Kinney,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, NTIA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Grant of Certificate of Interim Extension of the Term of U.S. Patent No. 4,177,290: PROVIGIL

**AGENCY:** Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of interim patent term extension.

**SUMMARY:** The Patent and Trademark Office has issued a certificate under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) for a one-year interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 4,177,290.

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karin Tyson by telephone at (703) 305-9285; by mail marked to her attention and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box DAC, Washington, D.C. 20231; by fax marked to her attention at (703) 308-6916, or by e-mail to [karin.tyson@uspto.gov](mailto:karin.tyson@uspto.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 156 of Title 35, United States Code, generally provides that the term of a patent may be extended for a period of up to 5 years if the patent claims a product, or a method of making or using a product, that has been subject to certain defined regulatory review. Under Section 156(e)(1), a patent is eligible for term extension only if regulatory review of the claimed product was completed before the original patent term expired.

On December 3, 1993, Section 156 was amended by Pub. L. No. 103-179 to provide that if the owner of record of the patent or its agent reasonably expects the applicable regulatory review period to extend beyond the expiration of the patent, the owner or its agent may submit an application to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for an interim extension of the patent term. If the Commissioner determines that, except for permission to market or use the product commercially, the patent would be eligible for a statutory extension of the patent term, the Commissioner shall issue to the applicant a certificate of

interim extension for a period of not more than one year. The owner of record of the patent or its agent may apply for subsequent one-year interim extensions.

On February 20, 1998, Cephalon, agent of the patent owner Laboratoire L. Lafon, filed an application under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) for interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 4,177,290. The patent claims the active ingredient modafinil in the human drug product "PROVIGIL." The application indicates that the product is currently undergoing a regulatory review before the Food and Drug Administration for permission to market or use the product commercially.

Review of the application suggests that, except for permission to market or use the product commercially, the subject patent would be eligible for an extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156. Since it is apparent that the regulatory review period will extend beyond the date of expiration of the patent, and interim extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) is appropriate. Accordingly, an interim extension under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) of the term U.S. Patent No. 4,177,290 is granted for a period of one-year from the original expiration date of the patent, March 9, 1998.

Dated: April 6, 1998.

**Bruce A. Lehman,**

*Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Romania

April 6, 1998.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 14, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on