The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) administers the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq. which provides for the Federal registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks. Individuals and businesses may submit various communications to the USPTO, including letters of protest and requests to make special. A letter of protest is an informal procedure whereby third parties who object to the registration of a mark in a pending application may submit evidence relevant to the registrability of the mark to the attention of the USPTO. A letter of protest should include an explanation of which application is being protested and relevant evidence to support the protest. A request to make special may be submitted where an applicant’s prior registration was cancelled due to the inadvertent failure to file a post registration maintenance document and should include an explanation of why special action is appropriate. The USPTO is proposing to include these two items in the inventory at this time because of a new method of submission that would standardize some formatting involving the electronic collection of this information. Both of these items are covered under 15 U.S.C. 1051.

II. Method of Collection
In order to provide filers with many of the benefits of electronic filing for a submission where a true electronic form does not currently exist within the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS), the USPTO is creating a new form of submission in a “global” format. This new method of submission will allow the user to identify the type of document being filed by selecting from a drop-down list and then...
uploading a document in either the JPG or PDF format. Applicants may also submit the information in paper form by mail, fax or hand delivery.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651–00xx.
Form Number: None.
Type of Review: New information collection.
Affected Public: Primarily business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 953 per year.
Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take approximately 30 minutes (0.50 hours) to 1 hour to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed request, depending on whether the information is submitted electronically or on paper.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 862 hours per year.

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Estimated Total Annual (Non-hour) Respondent Cost Burden: $209. There are no capital start-up, operation, maintenance or record keeping costs, nor are there filing fees associated with this information collection.

Customers incur postage costs when submitting non-electronic information to the USPTO by mail through the United States Postal Service. The USPTO estimates that the majority of submissions for these paper forms are made via first class mail at a cost of 44 cents per submission. Therefore, the total estimated postage cost for this collection is $209 (476 responses x $0.44).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Administrative Management Group.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[Application No. 87–8A001]

Export Trade Certificate of Review

ACTION: Notice of Issuance (#87–8A001) of an Amended Export Trade Certificate of Review Issued to Independent Film and Television Alliance (formerly “American Film Marketing Association”).


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Ansphaer, Acting Director Office of Competition and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, by telephone at (202) 482–5131 (this is not a toll-free number) or by e-mail at oetca@ita.doc.gov.


Export Trading Company Affairs is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Department of Commerce to publish a summary of the certification in the Federal Register. Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary’s determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

Description of Amended Certificate: IFTA’s Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to:

1. Change the previous name of the Certificate holder from “American Film Marketing Association” to the current name, “Independent Film and Television Alliance”;
2. Add the following companies as new Members of the Certificate within the meaning of section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 CFR 325.1(1)):
   - 111 Pictures Ltd, London, United Kingdom
   - 2929 International, LLC, Beverly Hills, CA
   - Action Concept Film und Stuntproduktion GmbH, Huerth/Cologne, Germany
   - Alpine Pictures, Inc., Burbank, CA
   - American Cinema International, Van Nuys, CA