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Introduction

1 What is your name?

Name:

[REDACTED]

2 What is your organisation?

Organisation:

Panasonic IP Management Co., Ltd.

3 What is your email address?

Email:

[REDACTED]

4 The Intellectual Property Office may wish to contact you to discuss your response. Would you be happy to be contacted to discuss your response?

Yes

Respondent information

5 If you are an individual, are you?

A legal professional

If you have selected other please specify:

6 If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, are you?

Any other type of organisation

If you selected other please specify:

Company

7 In which main industry do you or your business operate?

Consumer electronics

If you selected other please specify:

8 How many people does your business employ?

250+

Better regulation

20 Should UK law have an express deferment provision and how long should it be?

Please add your views here:

Yes, and we think the deferment period should be extended to 30 months in line with other offices such as EUIPO, considering that under COVID-19 pandemic the product release can often be delayed. We'd also like to have an option where right owners pay the publication fee at the time of filing and the Office will publish the design automatically after the capped deferment period without right owners' requesting publications at a later stage. This should benefit right owners by saving them from deadline management and mistakenly losing the right to the design.

21 What information, if any, should be published in relation to a deferred design?

Please add your views here:

Right owner details, application date and registration date.

22 Is there a need for specific provisions for prior use or to deal with co-pending applications?

Please add your views here: