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Thailand: Patents – Deadline Extension

Due to recent local COVID-19 outbreak and the implemented public health countermeasures, Thailand Department of Intellectual Property (DIP) has announced an extension for office action response and document submission for: Patent for Invention, Petty Patent and Design Patent.

This announcement became effective on April 16, 2021. The detail of this announcement is summarized below.

1. *New Extension Date:* Any deadlines for office action response or document submission as requested by the examiner that originally fall between April 16 – May 31, 2021 will be automatically deferred to May 31, 2021.
2. *New Response/Submission Date:* Applicants with the response or submission deadline as mentioned in (1) may also provide office action response or submit the required document within June 1 – 30, 2021.

Any applicants that do not wish to take advantage of this extension may still submit the office action response or submit the required document as per the original deadline.

In conclusion, applicants that are eligible as stipulated in (1) will now have until June 30, 2021 to respond to office action or submit the required document. If you need further assistance, please contact: ipgroup@ilct.co.th.