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Questel•Orbit Releases Redesigned and Enhanced QPAT

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Questel•Orbit, a leading provider of intellectual property information services worldwide, announced today the release of the new QPAT v4.0 (www.qpat.com).

The new QPAT design enhances user-friendliness and navigation while adding additional searching power and features to search Questel•Orbit's exclusive FamPat and PlusPat databases as well as its extensive full text patent collection.

Enhancements include:

- Redesigned search screen
User-friendly entry boxes as well as a command-line entry for expert searchers, and the addition of an assignee and inventor index look-up.
- Enhanced hit-list display
Tabular display which can be expanded to include abstracts and front-page images.
- Flexible displays with enhanced links
Quick-change record views (formats) and links to corresponding full-text patents, legal status, electronic facsimile patents (PDF), and both FamPat and extended (Inpadoc) families.

QPAT v3 will be maintained through the end of January 2006, and a link to it is included on the QPAT v4 login page.

"This new QPAT design is based on our extensive two-year-long customer and market survey to see what researchers wanted in a fully integrated patent search solution," commented Charles Besson, CEO of Questel•Orbit, "and this version not only meets these needs, but gives us an excellent platform to meet the growing demand for high-quality intellectual property information."

About QPAT:

This patent information service targets users of all experience levels. With its easy-to-use web interface, you can search patents, order patent documents, analyze retrieved information and generate reports, visualize relationships among data in real time, export your results, and more. QPAT gives you access to one of the most important patent database collections worldwide, including our own international files - FamPat and PlusPat, and full text of DE, EP, FR, PCT and US.

About Questel•Orbit:

For over 30 years, Questel•Orbit has been helping manage the world's most important IP portfolios. We provide a suite of leading-edge patent and trademark services to executives, scientists, researchers and competitive intelligence professionals, and help turn their IP information into real value and enhance their organizations' competitiveness. Known for our patent information collection, the largest in the world, we also provide a wide array of tools for Internet and Web-based searching; reading, analyzing, visualizing and communicating search results; ordering and distributing patent copies; evaluating individual patents and entire portfolios. Best of all, our products work the way expert and novice patent users do.

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