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USPTO Working Group on Regulatory Reform

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Executive Orders on Regulatory Reform

- EO 13771 (1/30/17) – “2-for-1” for new regulations, and cost savings
- EO 13777 (2/24/17) – agencies establish Regulatory Reform Task Forces to follow through on this regulatory reform priority
- OMB Guidance has provided more detail on implementation of EO 13771

USPTO Regulatory Reform

- USPTO is following all the requirements of both Executive Orders, and is placing a priority on this work to improve and revise regulations.
- DOC has formed a Regulatory Reform Task Force as called for by EO 13777, and USPTO participates as a member on the Task Force

USPTO Working Group

- USPTO has assembled a Working Group on Regulatory Reform, with members from all the business units that handle USPTO's regulations.
- The Working Group has already begun reviewing all of USPTO's regulations in order to identify regulations that can be revised, improved, streamlined, or removed as appropriate.
- The process is in its early stages, and public feedback would be helpful to these efforts.

USPTO Working Group

- The Working Group has put up a public webpage with more information at <https://www.uspto.gov/about-us/uspto-working-group-regulatory-reform>
- The Working Group has also established an e-mail address where members of the public may submit their ideas to improve, revise, and streamline USPTO regulations to: RegulatoryReformGroup@uspto.gov

USPTO Working Group

- USPTO will be conducting further public outreach about these efforts and will put more information on the Working Group webpage as these efforts develop. We welcome input from the public and encourage people to use the e-mail address to send us their ideas on regulatory reform for USPTO.

Questions and Comments

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