New Features

**New Requirement for Failure to Elect Title is Implemented with Message(s) 100/5110 and 140/5150**

The notification message 100/5110, *Title to this invention must be timely elected*, now generates less than 90 days prior to the initial 2 year requirement and any extensions expire. The notification message 140/5150, *Title to this invention must be timely elected*, now generates less than 90 days prior to the initial 8 month requirement and any extensions expire.

**PTO Recordation Option Added as a Document Category on the Patent Screen for the Other Document(s) Field**

A new option, *PTO Recordation*, is added to the Document Category drop-down menu when adding another document in the Other Document(s) section on the Create New Invention Report or the Modify Invention Report screen.

![Figure 1: Bottom Portion of the Modify Patent Report Screen Displaying the Document Category Field](image)

**Patent Number Format Automatically Populated with Special Characters if Appropriate**

Previously certain special characters had to be entered on the Create Patent Record, the Modify Patent Record, or the Patent Search screens in the following fields:

- Provisional Patent Application Number
- Non Provisional Patent Application
• **PCT Patent Application Number**

Now the following special characters are automatically populated on these screens for these fields as follows:

• **Provisional Patent Application Number** – 6, forward slash (/), and the comma (,)

• **Non Provisional Patent Application** – forward slash (/) and the comma (,)

• **PCT Patent Application Number** – PCT and forward slashes (/)

![Figure 2: Provisional Patent Application Number Field](image)

![Figure 3: Non-Provisional Patent Application Number Field](image)

![Figure 4: PCT Patent Application Number Field](image)

**Notes Section on Waived EIRs and Patent Reports are Blocked for Extramural Users**

For extramural users the *Explanatory Notes* section is no longer editable on the *Modify Invention Record* screen or the *Modify Patent Record* screen when the Invention Report’s or the Patent Report’s status is changed to *Waived*.

![Figure 5: Modify Invention Report Screen Displaying the Explanatory Notes Section](image)

**Voided Patents in the Patent Tree are Identified for Agency Users Only**

Previously a Patent Record with a *Voided* status was not distinguishable visually in the Patent Tree. Now for Agency users only it is visibly identified by the grey color in the Patent Tree.
Fixes

**iEdison Messages 300 and 310/5310 are now Calculating Correctly**

Previously the system was only checking at the start of a fiscal year for an Invention Report with a status of *Elect Title* or *Licensed as Biological Material* to generate notification messages 300 and 310 for requesting to have the utilization report completed. The system should have checked the date range between the *Title Election Date* and *Waiver Date* for these Invention Report(s).

This issue is resolved.

**Data Stream no Longer Allows Uploading Patents to EIRs that do not Allow Patents**

Previously the iEdison data stream allowed uploading Patent Reports with a *Filing Date of Non-Provisional Patent Application* or a *Patent Issue Date* when an Invention Report’s status was *Under Evaluation*.

Now the system requires for the Invention Report’s status to be *Elect Title* before uploading a patent with the *Filing Date of Non-Provisional Patent Application* or the *Patent Issue Date*. The following validation message now displays: _AN INITIAL PATENT APPLICATION NUMBER OR DATE MAY NOT BE ADDED TO A PATENT RECORD WITHOUT FIRST ELECTING TITLE TO THE SUBJECT INVENTION._

**Research Tools Guidelines Agreement Screen Hyperlink now Points to Correct Web Page**

Previously the *iEdison-Research Tools Guidelines Agreement* screen’s hyperlink pointed to the iEdison *Home* screen.
The issue has been resolved. The hyperlink now points to the correct web page. (https://public.era.nih.gov/iedison/public/biological-materials.jsp).