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TITLE OF INVENTION: MOBILE RENEWABLE ENERGY POWER GENERATOR, MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, AND DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES

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**Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)** 

(Applications filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Office has discontinued providing a Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) calculation with the Notice of Allowance.

Section 1(h)(2) of the AIA Technical Corrections Act amended 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3)(B)(i) to eliminate the requirement that the Office provide a patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. See Revisions to Patent Term Adjustment, 78 Fed. Reg. 19416, 19417 (Apr. 1, 2013). Therefore, the Office is no longer providing an initial patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. The Office will continue to provide a patent term adjustment determination with the Issue Notification Letter that is mailed to applicant approximately three weeks prior to the issue date of the patent, and will include the patent term adjustment on the patent. Any request for reconsideration of the patent term adjustment determination (or reinstatement of patent term adjustment) should follow the process outlined in 37 CFR 1.705.

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# Notice Requiring Inventor's Oath or Declaration

	Applicant(s) John Stach			
	Art Unit 2836			

This notice is an attachment to the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), or the Notice of Allowability For A Design Application (PTOL-37D).

An inventor's oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 or 1.64 executed by or with respect to each inventor has not yet been submitted.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, or a substitute statement in compliance with 37 CFR 1.64, executed by or with respect to each inventor (for any inventor for which a compliant oath, declaration, or substitute statement has not yet been submitted) MUST be filed <u>no later than the date on which the issue fee is paid.</u> See 35 U.S.C. 115(f). Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

A properly executed inventor's oath to declaration has not been received for the following inventor(s):

If applicant previously filed one or more oaths, declarations, or substitute statements, applicant may have received an informational notice regarding deficiencies therein.

The following deficiencies are noted:

#### INFORMAL ACTION PROBLEMS

• A properly executed inventor's oath or declaration has not been received for the following inventor(s): **John Stach**.

Applicant may submit the inventor's oath or declaration at any time before the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, PTOL-85, is mailed.

Questions relating to this Notice should be directed to the Application Assistance Unit at 571-272-4200.

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Notice of Allowability	Examiner ADI AMRANY	Art Unit 2836	AIA Status Yes			
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.						
1. ☐ This communication is responsive to application filing data 7 July 2017.  ☐ A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under 37 CFR 1.130(b) was/were filed on						
	2. An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.					
3. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20. As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the <b>Patent Prosecution</b> Highway program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see  http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to PPHfeedback@uspto.gov.						
<ul> <li>4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>Certified copies: <ul> <li>a) All</li> <li>b) Some</li> <li>*c) None of the:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>						
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### Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an interview with Steven Rinehart on October 9, 2018.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, after line 35 (immediately prior to the "the input panel comprising" paragraph), please insert: "wherein the output panel sockets are electrically connected to the inverter;"

Claim 1, after line 44 (immediately prior to "a plurality of batteries ..."), please insert: "wherein the input panel inputs and socket are electrically connected to a battery;"

Claim 16, after line 37 (immediately prior to the "the input panel comprising" paragraph), please insert: "wherein the output panel sockets are electrically connected to the inverter:"

Claim 1, after line 46 (immediately prior to "a plurality of batteries ..."), please insert: "wherein the input panel inputs and socket are electrically connected to a battery;"

## Reasons for Allowance

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the prior art does not teach or suggest a power generator for storing, managing and distributing electrical current derived from renewable energy,

comprising, inter alia, electrically powered wheels and the specific combination of outlets/sockets of the output panel and input panel.

The prior art teaches a portable battery system with an input panel to accept power from renewable energy sources, an internal battery, an inverter, and an output panel with various sockets to provide AC power to a load. The prior art does not teach or suggest the housing is self-propelled or that it includes the specific configuration of outlets/sockets as recited in the claim.

It is noted that while the claim uses the term "power generator", the claimed apparatus stores, manages and distributes power. The claimed apparatus does not actually "generate" power; it receives all power from a source (such as claim 14) connected to the input panel.

Claims 2-15 are allowable due to their dependence from claim 1.

Regarding claim 16, the claim is allowable for the same reasons as claim 1.

Claim 16 repeats the limitations of claims 1, 6 and 10.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ADI AMRANY whose telephone number is (571)272-0415. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8am-7pm.

Examiner interviews are available via telephone, in-person, and video conferencing using a USPTO supplied web-based collaboration tool. To schedule an

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interview, applicant is encouraged to use the USPTO Automated Interview Request (AIR) at http://www.uspto.gov/interviewpractice.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jared Fureman can be reached on 571-272-2800 x36. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/ADI AMRANY/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2836