

Focus Group update (30 November, 2004)

One of our e-filers wrote to us on the connection of State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO)'s database:

“Our provision of electronic copies of documents for e-filing of HK patents requires us to have reliable access to the Chinese Patent Office records to enable us to source the supporting documents.

We have had difficulties in accessing these records and our computer staff advise that the SIPO database is often unavailable due to connection and availability problems .”

We shall visit SIPO on 9 December, 2004. If you have similar experience or any other comments, please e-mail us before 3 December, 2004.

On e-filing please see “What’s new”.