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CIPO PANDEMIC RESPONSE: FINAL DEADLINE EXTENSION ENDS AUGUST 21, 2020*

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The Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) has now updated its <u>Service and Website Interruptions</u> page to inform the public of a new, and final, deadline extension in response to the ongoing health crisis.

DEADLINE EXTENSION

In response to the ongoing health crisis, CIPO had extended certain deadlines falling between March 16, 2020 and August 7, 2020 to August 10, 2020. These extensions had been implemented successively as CIPO monitored the health crisis.

The CIPO has now announced that they will no longer be implementing successive extensions and that the final extension ends on **August 21, 2020.**

We recommend that, where possible, clients should aim to meet the original deadlines. However, please contact us promptly if there has been a missed deadline, or if you have any questions or concerns at all about deadlines and how these changes might affect your applications, so that we can assist.

*This is an update to our previous alerts on this topic, which are found here:

- CIPO Pandemic Response: Update July 6, 2020
- CIPO Pandemic Response: Update June 15, 2020
- CIPO Pandemic Response: Update June 1, 2020
- CIPO Pandemic Response: Update May 15, 2020
- CIPO Pandemic Response: Update April 28, 2020
- CIPO Pandemic Response and Canada's New Compulsory Patent Licensing Provisions

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