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Abstract

The ACTA Council Members agreed at their December 2nd 2004 Executive Session to revamp ACTA 's current website, redesign its database, and add additional functionality and features to its AOF system. This contribution puts the current ACTA website, backend database, and AOF into context. It also provides several areas which will be further developed in the new ACTA website, backend database, and AOF.

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ACTA Website, Database & Filing System:

ACTA's current website's "look-and-feel," as well as its "back-end" supporting database, has now been active for over 2 years. ACTA's Online Filing (AOF) system has been actively used for over one year. To provide greater scalability in the ACTA database to meet the needs of the (involving) industry, and to address feedback from AOF users to expand AOF to include additional "value-add" features, the ACTA Council Members agreed at its December 2nd 2004 Executive Session to revamp ACTA's current website, redesign its database, and add additional functionality and features to its AOF system. Areas of focus are, but not limited to:

- Improved User Interface to include updated accessibility requirements
- Improved Reporting Tools both administratively and by web access
- Improved Search Engine - to possibly include searching Trade Models / Trade Names / and Ancillary Equipment
- More Robust Backend Database - Current Database Relational Structure is juggling 3 different relational database systems due to legacy information
- Editable - Confirmation Page
- Improved Trade Model/Trade Name System
- Improved Ancillary Equipment System
- Improved CC authorization system
- Ability to save filings and return at a later date to finish filings (save feature)
- Improved administration end to automate certain manual entries (Updating Multiple Agents or Service during a RPC Transfer)

The project is estimated to take 6-9 months.