EXHIBIT 3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action of 08/17/09, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11.

A **Petition for Extension of Time** is being filed herewith along with the required fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A content delivery method comprising:

causing a plurality of files to be distributed across a plurality of computers, wherein at least some of the plurality of computers comprise a peer-to-peer network;

responsive to a request for a file, the request including at least a name for the file, the name having been determined, at least in part, using a given function of the data that comprises the contents of the file, selectively causing a copy of the file to be provided from a given one of the plurality of computers, wherein a copy of the file is not provided without authorization; and

wherein the request for the file is resolved based, at least in part, on a measure of availability of at least one of the computers.

2. (Currently amended) A method, in a system in which a plurality of files are distributed across a plurality of computers, wherein at least some of the plurality of computers comprise a peer-to-peer network, the method comprising:

obtaining a name for a file, the name having been determined at least in part as a given function of the data that comprises the contents of the file, wherein the contents of the particular file may represent a digital message, a digital image, a video signal or an audio signal; and

responsive to a request for the file, the request including at least the name, selectively providing a copy of the file from a given one of the computers, wherein a copy of the requested file is not provided without authorization, and wherein the request for the file is resolved based, at least in part, on a measure of availability of at least one computer having a copy of the requested file.

3. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

distributing a set of files from a first computer across a network of computers distinct from the first computer, wherein at least some of the computers comprise a peer-to-peer network;

for at least one file in the set of files, applying **[[**an MD5**]]** a message digest function to the contents of the at least one file to obtain a True Name for the at least one file;

in response to a request for the at least one file, the request including at least the True Name of the particular file, selectively causing a copy of the particular file to be provided from a given one of the computers, wherein a copy of the file is not provided without authorization, and wherein the request for the at least one file is resolved based, at least in part, on a measure of availability of at least one of the computers.

4. (Currently amended) A content delivery method comprising:

distributing a plurality of files across a network of computers, wherein at least some of the computers comprise a peer-to-peer network;

for a particular file, determining a True Name using at least a given function of the data, wherein the data used by the function to determine the name comprises the contents of the particular file;

obtaining a request for the particular file, the request including at least the True Name of the particular file; and

responsive to the request, selectively causing the particular file to be provided from one of the servers of the network of computers, wherein a copy of the file is not provided without authorization, and

wherein the request for the file is resolved based, at least in part, on a measure of availability of at least one of the computers having a copy of the file.

5. (Currently amended) A content delivery method, comprising:

distributing a set of files across a network of servers, wherein at least some of the servers comprise a peer-to-peer network;

for a particular file representing a digital image, or a video signal or an audio signal or a software product, the file having a contextual name specifying at least one location in the network at which the file may be located, determining another name for the particular file, the other name including a True Name for the file which was determined using a message digest function of some data, where the some data used by the given function comprises the contents of the particular file;

obtaining a request for the particular file, the request including at least the True Name of the particular file; and

responsive to the request, selectively providing the particular file from one of the servers of the network of servers, said providing being based at least in part on the True Name of the particular file, and wherein a copy of the file is not provided without authorization, and wherein the request for the file is resolved based, at least in part, on a measure of availability of at least one of the servers having a copy of the requested file.

6. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

applying **[[**an MD5**]]** a message digest function to the contents of an ~~image~~ file containing data representing a digital image, or a video signal or an audio signal or a software product to obtain a True Name for the file;

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