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Subject: Categorization of Summarized Information

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Dear Sir:

## Response B

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**In the Specification:**

Page 44 delete the "Abstract" of the specification and replace it with the following paragraph, there for:

--A system for categorizing transactions includes a collection function gathering information concerning transactions, including at least date, description and amount of the transactions, for a particular person or enterprise, and a processing function categorizing individual ones of the collected transactions according to at least part of the transaction description. In preferred embodiments of the system a variety of categorization methods for collected information may be utilized including at least categorizing by providing individual categories according to category definition entered by a specific user or on behalf of an enterprise. Categorization may also be done for a first plurality of persons or enterprises according to category definition entered by a second plurality of persons or enterprises, or categories are developed from information taken from communication between users and the system. Probability algorithms may also be used in developing categories.--

**In the claims:**

All of the claims pending for examination are presented below.

1. (Currently amended) A system tangibly embodied on a computer-readable medium for categorizing transactions, comprising;

a collection function gathering information concerning transactions, including at least date, description and amount of the transactions, for a particular person or enterprise; and

a processing function categorizing individual ones of the collected transactions according to at least part of the transaction description;

wherein the collection function automatically retrieves the information concerning transactions from Internet-connected web sites adapted to provide account information to the person or enterprise.

2. (Original) The system of claim 1 further comprising a compilation function summarizing transactions in individual categories.

3.(Original) The system of claim 2 further comprising a reporting function reporting the summarized transactions to the particular person or enterprise.

4. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein categorization is done according to category definitions entered by the particular person or on behalf of the enterprise.

5. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein categorization is done for a first plurality of persons or enterprises subscribing to the system according to category definitions entered by a second plurality of persons or enterprises subscribing to the system.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein categories are developed from information taken from communication between clients and the system.
7. (Original) The system of claim 6 wherein a probability algorithm is used in developing categories.
8. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein identifiers for categories are periodically amended according to further information that is collected and processed.
9. (Canceled)
10. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[9]] 1 wherein the system reports to clients through the Internet network.
11. (Original) The system of claim 2 wherein the system further comprises a function storing past transaction history associated with the particular person or enterprise.
12. (Previously presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the past transaction history is used to predict future transaction statistical information.
13. (Currently amended) A method for categorizing transactions using proprietary software tangibly embodied on a computer-readable medium, comprising:
  - (a) automatically gathering information concerning transactions by a collection function of the software[[,]] from Internet-connected web sites adapted to provide account information for a particular person or enterprise, said information including at least date, description and amount of the transactions, ~~for a particular person or enterprise; [[and]]~~
  - (b) categorizing individual ones of the collected transactions according to at least part of the transaction description by a processing function; and

(c) reporting the summarized transactions to the particular person or enterprise by a reporting function.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 further comprising summarizing transactions in individual categories by a compilation function.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein categorization is done according to category definition entered by the particular person or on behalf of the enterprise.

17. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein categorization is done for a first plurality of persons or enterprises according to category definition entered by a second plurality of persons or enterprises.

18. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein categories are developed from information taken from communication between clients and the system.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein a probability algorithm is used in developing categories.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13 wherein identifiers for categories are periodically amended according to further information that is collected and processed.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[21]]~~ 13 wherein the system reports to clients through the Internet network.

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