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By **Alexander J. Gambino** and **Peter L. Brewer**, Thrive IP®

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By **Ping Gu**, Zhong Lun Law Firm; **Mark Houghton**, Patent Outsourcing Limited;
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