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Marathon Patent Group Added to Russell Microcap Index

LOS ANGELES, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 07/06/15 -- *Marathon Patent Group, Inc.* (NASDAQ: MARA) ("Marathon"), a patent licensing company, announced today that it has been added to the Russell Microcap index effective at the close of the market on June 26, 2015, when Russell Investments reconstituted its comprehensive set of U.S. and global equity indexes.

Membership in the Russell Microcap Index, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the appropriate growth and value style indexes. FTSE Russell determines membership for its Russell indexes primarily by objective, market-capitalization rankings and style attributes.

Doug Croxall, CEO of Marathon Patent Group, commented, "We are pleased to have been added to the Russell Microcap Index as it shows we are being recognized for the continued growth and progress we are making at Marathon. We believe our inclusion has the potential to raise visibility and awareness with institutional investors, while serving to further broaden our shareholder base."

Russell indexes are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for active investment strategies. Approximately \$5.7 trillion in assets are benchmarked to the Russell U.S. indexes. Russell indexes are part of FTSE Russell, a leading global index provider.

About Marathon Patent Group:

Marathon is a patent acquisition and monetization company. The Company acquires patents from a wide-range of patent holders from individual inventors to Fortune 500 companies. Marathon's strategy of acquiring patents that cover a wide-range of subject matter allows the Company to achieve diversity within its patent asset portfolio. Marathon generates revenue with its diversified portfolio through actively managed concurrent patent rights enforcement campaigns. This approach is expected to result in a long-term, diversified revenue stream. To learn more about Marathon Patent Group, visit www.marathonpg.com.

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