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To whom it may concern,

**ICL Patent No 5,604,892**

US Patent No 5,604,892 describes a computer-based implementation of an object-oriented power system model in a relational database and, as such, does not conflict with the development of any logical power system model including the EPRI/IEC Common Information Model (CIM), where implementation of the model is not defined.

As an active member of IEC TC57 WG14, ICL is supporting the IEC and EPRI standards initiatives and wishes to reassure members that it does not want its patent to hinder the development of these standards or their widespread adoption by the industry.

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