Registration No. 333-196994

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-1 ON FORM S-3

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

MARATHON PATENT GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada 6794 01-0949984

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

| If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. [] |
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| If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. [X] |
| If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [] |

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box. [

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. []

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "accelerated filer", "large accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act) (Check one):

| Large accelerated filer [] | Accelerated filer [] |
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| Non-accelerated filer [] (Do not check if smaller reporting company) | Smaller reporting company [X] |

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission acting pursuant to said Section 8(a) may determine.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

| This Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 on Form S-3 (File No. 333-196994) of Marathon Patent Group, |
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| Inc. is being filed solely to file Exhibits 5.1 and 23.1. Accordingly, this Amendment No. 3 consists solely of the facing page, this explanatory |
| note, the signature page, and the exhibits filed herewith. This filing does not modify any provision of the Registration Statement except as |
| specifically noted herein. |

SIGNATURES

In accordance with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3/A and authorized this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Los Angeles, State of California, on October 1, 2014.

MARATHON PATENT GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Doug Croxall

Name: Doug Croxall

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Chairman

(Principal Executive Officer)

By: /s/ Francis Knuettel II

Name: Francis Knuettel II Title: Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

In accordance with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement was signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates stated.

| Signature | Title | Date |
|---|---|-----------------|
| /s/ Doug Croxall Doug Croxall | _ Chief Executive Officer and Chairman (Principal Executive Officer) | October 1, 2014 |
| /s/ Francis Knuettel II Francis Knuettel II | Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) | October 1, 2014 |
| * John Stetson | _ Executive Vice President, Secretary and Director | October 1, 2014 |
| Stuart Smith | _ Director | |
| * Edward Kovalik | _ Director | October 1, 2014 |
| * William Rosellini | _ Director | October 1, 2014 |
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^{*} Executed on October 1, 2014 by Doug Croxall as attorney-in-fact under power of attorney granted in the Registration Statement previously filed on June 24, 2014.

| s/s/ Doug Croxall | |
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| Doug Croxall | |

Attorney-in-Fact

SICHENZIA ROSS FRIEDMAN FERENCE LLP

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

September 30, 2014

VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549

Re: Marathon Patent Group, Inc.

Form S-3 Registration Statement (File No. 333-196994)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We refer to the above-captioned registration statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), filed by Marathon Patent Group, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Company"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

We have examined the originals, photocopies, certified copies or other evidence of such records of the Company, certificates of officers of the Company and public officials, and other documents as we have deemed relevant and necessary as a basis for the opinion hereinafter expressed. In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as certified copies or photocopies and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents.

Based on our examination mentioned above, we are of the opinion that the securities being sold pursuant to the Registration Statement are duly authorized, legally and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under "Legal Matters" in the related Prospectus. In giving the foregoing consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Sichenzia Ross Friedman Ference LLP

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts", and the inclusion of our report dated March 31, 2014, for the years ended and as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, related to the financial statements of Marathon Patent Group, Inc. (Formerly American Strategic Minerals Corporation) included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2013 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which appears in Marathon Patent Group, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed on or about October 1, 2014.

/s/ KBL, LLP KBL, LLP New York, NY