License on Transfer Program ("LOT"): Improving the Patent Landscape Together

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License On Transfer (LOT) Network



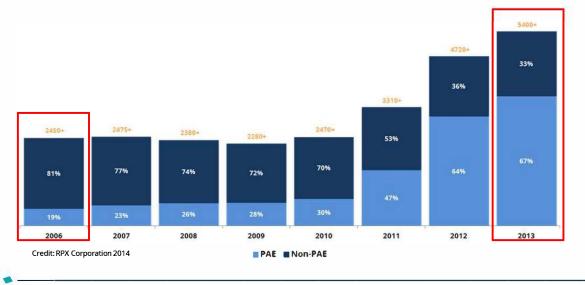
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LOT Overview: Background and Motivation

Patent Trolls by the Numbers

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OK! What are the sources of patents asserted by PAEs?

- >70% of patents asserted by PAEs come from operating companies
 - Defunct operating companies
 - Distressed companies need quick cash
 - · Changed business model
 - Operating companies divesting patents for revenue share or to offset carrying costs of large portfolio

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Loose Nukes?

- <u>High transaction costs</u>: In aggregate, PAE's pay ~10% of the total costs of these PAE suits to the operating companies that sell their patents. <u>Cost of patent litigation is much greater than the sale price of a patent</u>.
 - The average cost of patent litigation is ~\$3.3 million through trial
 - The average US patent sells for ~\$150,000
- Small Companies are heavily affected
- >50% of PAE targets have revenues <\$10M annually

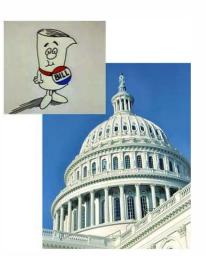
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What's an operating company to do?



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