NEW YORK (Reuters) - Music publishing licensing organization the Harry Fox Agency will start using new copyright tracking tools to improve the process of identifying songwriters' and publishers' information for programming uploaded by regular users on the Internet.

Harry Fox will be using Los Gatos, California-based Audible Magic's "fingerprinting" technology to identify digital versions of music and videos, used by media and technology companies to combat piracy of copyright-protected content uploaded by users without permission.

Harry Fox represents some 35,000 music publishers in the United States, and helps publishers and songwriters collect royalties on their works.

Programming uploaded by Web users has proven tough to track, especially on services like Google Inc.’s YouTube online video sharing service whose sheer volume -- some 100 million views per day -- makes it tough to police, the company has said.

Google's difficulties lie at the heart of a more than $1 billion copyright infringement lawsuit filed against it by media conglomerate Viacom Inc.

Harry Fox said it aims to use Audible Magic's technology to match up its database of songwriters' and publishers' information with Audible's database of sound recording fingerprints to help Internet businesses that accept user contributed content.

The news comes on the heels of Audible's deal with News Corp.’s MySpace social network last week. MySpace is using Audible’s technology to begin thwarting users from re-uploading video clips that have already been blocked.
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