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AND CITY County of Westchester and State of New York

and (2) James W. Cooper of Wilton
County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut

have invented certain improvements in

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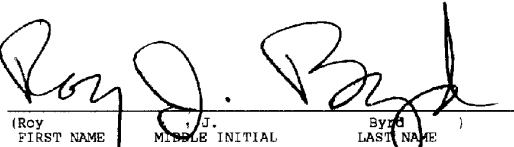
DATES THAT INVENTORS and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on
SIGNED THE (1) April 9, 1998, and (2) April 13, 1998.
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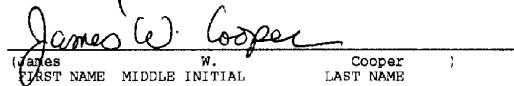
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Signed and Sealed

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DATE on April 9, 1998,


(Roy J. Byrd)
FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL LAST NAME

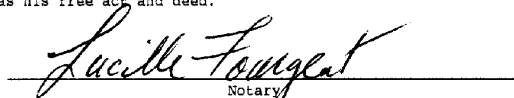
CITY (2) at Yorktown Hgts., NY
DATE on April 13, 1998,


(James W. Cooper)
FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL LAST NAME

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Inventor (1) On this 9th day of April 1998, before me personally came Roy J. Byrd to me personally known, and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

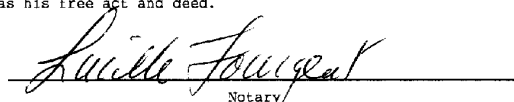

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Inventor (2) On this 13th day of April 1998, before me personally came James W. Cooper to me personally known, and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.


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