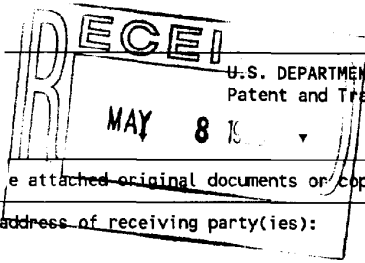


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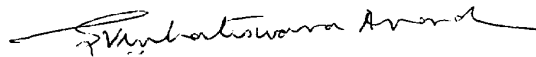
ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Venkateswara Anand Sankaran, of 29855 Fox Club Drive, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48331; have invented certain new and useful improvements in ISOLATED GATE DRIVER FOR POWER SWITCHING DEVICES AND METHOD FOR CARRYING OUT SAME for which I am about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, FORD MOTOR COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business at Dearborn, County of Wayne, and State of Michigan, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to my employment agreements heretofore made with FORD MOTOR COMPANY, I by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto FORD MOTOR COMPANY the full and exclusive right for the United States of America and for all foreign countries to the said invention, as described in the specification executed by me on the 18th day of December, 1997, preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor (and I hereby authorize my attorneys to insert the serial number and filing date herein: Serial No. 08/997,198, Filing Date December 23, 1997), and I hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to FORD MOTOR COMPANY as the assignee.

Executed the 18 day of Dec., 1997.

  
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