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**ASSIGNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, we, **Mark J. Rankin** and **Anthony F. Piccoli**, both citizens of United States of America, with respective post office addresses of 20 East Sixth Street, Media, Pennsylvania 19063 and 415 West Pine Street, Audubon, New Jersey, 08106, hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNORS," have invented a certain new and useful

**SYSTEM FOR VERIFYING ATTACHMENT OF  
AN EAS MARKER TO AN ARTICLE AFTER TAGGING**

for which we have executed a United States patent application, Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_, and

**ASSIGNORS** authorize **ASSIGNEE** or **ASSIGNEE's** representative to insert the Application Number and Filing date of this application if they are unknown at the time of execution of this Assignment.

**WHEREAS**, **Checkpoint System, Inc.**, a Pennsylvania corporation having a place of business at 101 Wolf Drive, P.O. Box 188, Thorofare, New Jersey 08086, hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of acquiring said invention and said patent application.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable executed consideration, the full receipt and sufficiency of all of which are hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, we, the undersigned **ASSIGNORS**, hereby agree to sell, assign, transfer and convey and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the above-named **ASSIGNEE**, the whole and entire right, title and interest

in and to said invention as described in the above patent application, for the territory of the United States and its possessions and territories and all foreign countries;

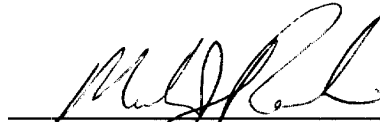
in and to the above patent application and any and all related United States and foreign patent applications disclosing said invention, including provisionals, non-provisionals, divisions and continuations thereof, along with all rights of priority created by said patent application under any treaty relating thereto; and

in and to all United States and foreign patents which may be granted on any and all of said patent applications, including extensions, reissues and reexamination certificates thereof;

said invention, application(s) and patent(s) to be held and enjoyed by the above-named ASSIGNEE, for ASSIGNEE's own use and benefit, and for ASSIGNEE's legal representatives and assigns to the full end of the term or terms for which said patent(s) may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned ASSIGNORS had this assignment and sale not been made; and for the aforesaid consideration ASSIGNORS hereby covenant, agree and undertake to execute, whenever requested by the above-named ASSIGNEE, all patent applications, assignments, lawful oaths and any other papers which ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or desirable for securing to ASSIGNEE or for maintaining for ASSIGNEE all the patent(s) hereby assigned or agreed to be assigned; all without further compensation to the undersigned ASSIGNORS.

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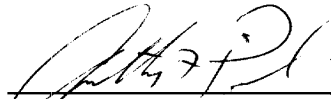


Mark J. Rankin

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Anthony F. Piccoli

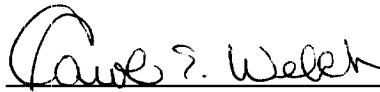
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STATE OF New Jersey :

: ss.

COUNTY OF Gloucester :

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1998, personally appeared **Mark J. Rankin**, who being to me personally known, and who having first executed the foregoing instrument in my presence and have been by me first duly sworn, did acknowledge the foregoing instrument as his free deed and act, signed, sealed and delivered by him for the purpose therein stated and intending to be legally bound thereby and intending that said instrument be recorded.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

**CAROL E. WELCH**  
**A Notary Public of New Jersey**  
**My Commission Expires May 25, 2003**

