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Whereas, we,

(1) Gerald F. McBrearty of Austin,
County of Travis and State of Texas,

and
(2) Johnny Meng-Han Shieh of Austin,
County of Travis and State of Texas,

have invented certain improvements in


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and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on
(1) June 25, 1998, and (2) June 25, 1998.

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Now therefore, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, the above named, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to IBM, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign countries, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in said application to IBM, its successors and assigns; and we hereby agree that IBM may apply for foreign Letters Patent on said invention and we will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by IBM.

(1) Signed at Austin on June 25, 1998.



Gerald F. McBrearty

and (2) Signed at Austin on June 25, 1998.



Johnny Meng-Han Shieh