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hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto

CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA, a corporation of Japan having a place of business at

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its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter called the "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, for the United States in and to certain inventions relating to

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and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed on 23/JUN/1998 as Application No. 09/102.611 and in and to said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent upon said inventions to the Assignee or to such nominees as it may designate.

AND we authorize and empower the said Assignee or nominees to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it, and to invoke and claim such right of priority without further written or oral authorization from us.

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