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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Xia Li, residing at 48540 Spokane Road, Fremont, California 94539 (herein after called the Assignor), has invented certain new and useful improvements in

## EXPOSURE OF DESIRED NODE IN A MULTI-LAYER INTEGRATED CIRCUIT USING FIB AND RIE

for which a United States patent application has been concurrently executed on the date of this assignment.

WHEREAS, ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 901 Thompson Place, P.O. Box 3453, Sunnyvale, California, 94088-3453 (hereinafter termed Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and said invention and improvements thereon, and in and to Letters Patents thereon when granted in the United States and foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration received by said Assignors from said Assignee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by said Assignors:

- 1. Said Assignors do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto said Assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and said invention and in and to any and all improvements on said invention and in and to any and all improvements on said invention heretofore or hereafter made or acquired by said Assignors; and in and to any and all Letters Patent on said invention and/or said improvements that may be granted in the United States or any foreign country, including each and every Letters Patent granted on any application which is a division, continuation, substitution, renewal, or continuation-in-part of any said application, and in and to each and every reissue or extension of said Letters Patent.
- 2. Said Assignors hereby covenant and agree to cooperate with said Assignee where said Assignee may enjoy to the fullest extent the right, title and interest herein conveyed. Such cooperation shall include (a) prompt execution of all papers (prepared at the expense of Assignee) which are deemed necessary or desirable by Assignee to perfect in it the right, title and interest herein conveyed, (b) prompt execution of all petitions, oaths, specifications or other papers (prepared at the expense of Assignee) which are deemed necessary or desirable by assignee for prosecuting said application, for filing and prosecuting divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal, continuation-in-part, or additional applications in the United States and/or foreign countries covering said invention and/or said improvements, for filing and prosecuting applications for reissuance of letters patent included herein, or for interference proceedings involving said invention and/or said improvements and (c) prompt assistance and cooperation in the prosecution of interference proceedings involving said invention and/or said improvements and in the adjudication of said Letters Patent, particularly by the disclosure of facts and the production of evidence relating to said invention and/or said improvements, provided the expenses which may be incurred by said Assignors in lending such assistance and cooperation shall be paid by the Assignee.
- 3. The terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and/or other legal representatives and shall be binding upon said Assignors, their heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 4. Said Assignors hereby warrant and represent that he has not entered into any assignment, contract or understanding in conflict herewith.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Assignor has executed and delivered this instrument on the date set forth below.

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Date

Xia Li

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA )

On July 1st, 1998 before me, Morena G. Molina, Notary Public, personally appeared Xia Li, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that the executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

RECORDED: 09/04/1998

Signature

MORENA G. MOLINA
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My Comm. Expires Jul 19,1999

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