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WHEREAS, we, Sidney A. Higgins of Maple Grove, Minnesota; Eugene E. Welch of Waseca, Minnesota; Paul J. Jager of Waseca, Minnesota; and Neil Hovelsrud of Waseca, Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful improvements in TELEMETRY ANTENNA SYSTEM, for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States is being made, said application having been executed on even date herewith and which may be identified in the United States Patent Office by Serial No. 09/097,248, filed June 12, 1998.

Whereas, Itron, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington, and having its principal offices at 2818 N. Sullivan Road, P.O. Box 15288, Spokane, Washington 99216, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

Now, therefore, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid by said company, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said company, its successors and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application, all divisions, continuations or renewals thereof, and the Letters Patent, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue, therefrom including all reissues or extensions of such patents including all of our rights under the International Convention, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the above mentioned assignee in accordance herewith.

We hereby authorize the above mentioned assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to insert in this instrument the filing date and serial number of said application when ascertained.

We further authorize said assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent, in its own name if desired, in any and all foreign countries, and additionally to claim the filing date of said United States application and/or otherwise take advantage of the provisions of the International Convention.

Upon said consideration we do hereby covenant and agree with the said assignee, its successors and assigns, that we will not execute in writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that we or our executors or administrators will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as said assignee, its

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In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seal as dated below.

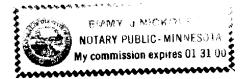
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