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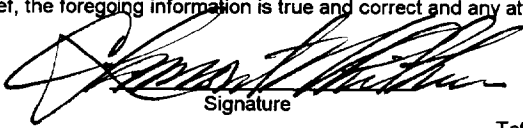


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Masatsugu Ogawa  
of  
c/o NEC Corporation  
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(HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ASSIGNOR), have  
invented and own a certain invention  
entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION:**

METHOD FOR INITIALIZING A PHASE CHANGE  
RECORDING MEDIUM

for which application for Letters Patent of  
the United States has been executed on even  
date herewith;

## **WHEREAS**

**FULL NAME AND ADDRESS  
OF ASSIGNEE**

NEC Corporation  
7-1, Shiba 5-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan

(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is  
desirous of acquiring the entire interest  
in, to and under said invention and the  
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DATE OF SIGNING

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/We have hereunto set hand and seal this 1st day of April, 1998.

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