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(2) MICHAEL R. COOPER of Austin, County of Travis and State of Texas,

and

(3) PATRICK EDWARD NOGAY of Austin, County of Travis and State of Texas,

and

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have invented certain improvements in

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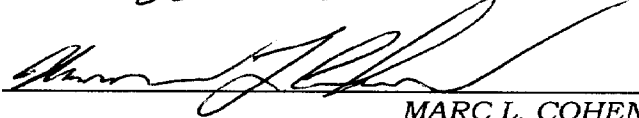
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