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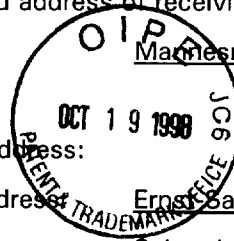
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## A S S I G N M E N T

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We the undersigned, **Reinhold WEIDINGER and Michael WEISS** (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"):

Hereby sell, assign and transfer to **Mannesmann Sachs** (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation of Germany, having a place of business at Ernst-Sachs-Straße 62, D-97424 Schweinfurt, Germany, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith, and is entitled

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Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said improvements in its own name, and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said improvements; execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns, and representatives, all facts known to the undersigned

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Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

Date: 09/16/1998  
month/day/year

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