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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: <u>Grant H. Peters</u></p> <p>Internal Address: <b>TREXLER, BUSHNELL, GIANGIORGI &amp; BLACKSTONE, LTD.</b> <b>105 West Adams Street</b> <b>Chicago, IL 60603</b></p> <p>Street Address: <u>same</u></p> <p>City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1</span></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)..... <b>\$ 40.00</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account</p> <p>8. Deposit account number: _____</p> <p>(Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)</p>
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# ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we **LOUIS SUFFI** of 8121 Neuport Drive, Willow Springs, Illinois 60480 and **ARNOLD M. LADD** of 612 E. Oakton Street, Apt. 1, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018-2036 have invented certain new and useful improvements in **NETWORK INTERFACE DEVICE** for which we have applied for a Provisional Application of the United States on the 14TH day of APRIL, 1997; and

WHEREAS, **RELTEC Corporation** a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois having its principal place of business at **5875 Landerbrook Drive, Suite 250, Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124** (hereinafter referred to as "**ASSIGNEE**"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said provisional application, and in, to and under all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries that may be granted therefor or claiming priority therefrom;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid by said ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, said **LOUIS SUFFI and ARNOLD M. LADD** have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to and unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, for, within and throughout the United States and the territories thereof, and all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in, to and under said provisional application, and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries (including all priority rights that we may have or acquire under any International Convention or treaty) that may be granted for or claim priority from said invention and improvements, including divisions, reissues, subdivisions, continuations and prolongations of such applications and Letters Patent, to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patents for said invention may issue.

We do hereby covenant and agree, for ourselves, our heirs and our legal representatives, that we will assist said ASSIGNEE in the prosecution of the provisional application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that said ASSIGNEE may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinbefore set forth; in vesting in said ASSIGNEE like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that we will execute and deliver to said ASSIGNEE any and all additional papers that may be requested by said ASSIGNEE to fully carry out the terms of this assignment.

We do hereby authorize and request our attorneys, Trexler, Bushnell, Giangiorgi & Blackstone, Ltd., of 105 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603, to insert here in parentheses (Serial No. 08/825,144, filed March 25, 1997) the date and serial number of said application when officially known.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent of the United States that may be granted claiming priority from the provisional application aforesaid, or for said invention, to said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 14TH day of APRIL, 1997.

Louis Suffi  
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LOUIS SUFFI  
Arnold M. Ladd  
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ARNOLD M. LADD

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
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COUNTY OF COOK )

This 14TH day of APRIL, 1997, before me personally came the above named **LOUIS SUFFI and ARNOLD M. LADD** to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Rosemary Olson  
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Notary Public



(Notarial Seal)