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Kenneth E. Garde and Ronald J. Flower

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Name: **BECTON DICKINSON AND COMPANY**Internal Address: **Intellectual Property Department**Additional names(s) of conveying party(ies) ☐ Yes ☒ No

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☒ Assignment☐ Merger☐ Security Agreement☐ Change of Name☐ Other _____Street Address: **1 Becton Drive**City: **Franklin Lakes** State: **NJ** ZIP: **07417**Execution Date: **August 21, 1997 and September 2, 1997**Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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A. Patent Application No.(s)

08/900,529**Filed 7/25/97**

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: **Richard J. Rodrick**Internal Address: **Becton Dickinson and Company****Intellectual Property Department**Street Address: **1 Becton Drive**City: **Franklin Lakes** State: **NJ** ZIP: **07417**

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ASSIGNMENT

Serial No. 08/900,529
 Filed: July 25, 1997

WHEREAS, Kenneth E. Garde and Ronald J. Flower

(hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to:

A Circuit for Causing a Voltage Step in a Multi-Cell Battery

for which they have on even date herewith, executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Becton Dickinson and Company, a corporation of the State of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the premises and in acknowledgment, confirmation and performance of obligations which arose out of the terms and conditions of Assignors' employment by Assignee at the time the invention was made, and/or other valuable considerations to them, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors have assigned and transferred, and do hereby assign and transfer unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available, is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that they have a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them, promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this 21st day of August, 1997.

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Ronald J. Flower

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals this 2nd day of September, 1997.



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