

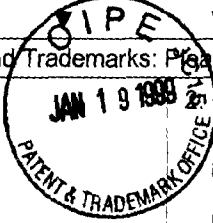
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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, **Alan G. Young** and **Lowell Vaughan Babb**, are the joint inventors of a new and useful invention entitled ***Apparatus, Method And System For Measurement Of Sea Floor Soil Characteristics***, for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed on **December 2, 1998** and was assigned **Application Serial No.:** 09/204,418; and,

WHEREAS, **MARSCO, INC.**, a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to **MARSCO, INC.**, all right, title and interest in and to the said invention throughout the world, and said application for U.S. Letters Patent, and any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by **MARSCO, INC.**, for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries are or may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States on said invention or resulting from said application and from any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, to **MARSCO, INC.**, as assignee of our entire interest, and hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

And we further hereby covenant and agree that we will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title of said invention and to such Letters Patent as may be granted therefor, to **MARSCO, INC.**, its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if **MARSCO, INC.**, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives shall desire to file any divisional or continuation applications or to secure a reissue of such Letters Patent, or to file a disclaimer relating thereto, will upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for the filing of such divisional or continuation application, or such application for reissue and the procuring thereof, and for the filing of such disclaimer, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

And we do further covenant and agree that its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

EXECUTED THIS 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1999.

*Alan G. Young*  
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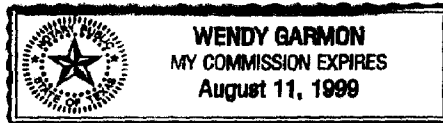
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **Alan G. Young**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he **executed and initialed** the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1999.

*Wendy Garmon*  
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THE STATE OF TEXAS



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EXECUTED THIS 13<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY 1999.

*Lowell Vaughan Babb*  
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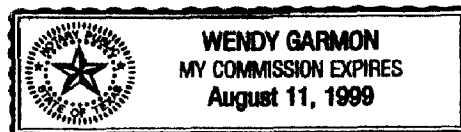
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