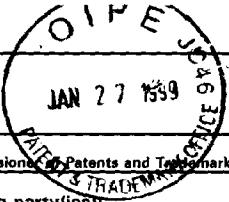


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WHEREAS, Opex Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New Jersey, and engaged in business at 305 Commerce Drive, Moorestown, NJ 08057, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the said invention and any and all applications for Letters Patent and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be issued therefor;

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Before me, the undersigned, a notary public, in and for the county aforesaid, on this 20<sup>th</sup> of January 99, personally appeared DOMINIC STIGLIANO, JOHN FORBES, THOMAS DIBIASO and ROBERT R. DEWITT to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed and desired the same to be recorded as such.

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