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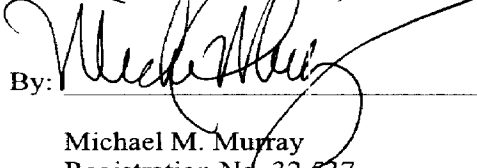
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its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter called the "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, for the United States, in and to certain inventions relating to

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and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed by me on February 3, 1999 and which has been accorded Application No. 09/243,714 and in and to said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted, thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent upon said inventions to the Assignee or to such nominees as it may designate.

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By: Yuichi Hirai
Yuichi HIRAI

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