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1. Name of party conveying the interest:
Holger Schererz
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SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT
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 9. To the best of knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the foregoing
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10. Date: April 14, 1999


Name: George H. Spencer

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ASSIGNMENT
OF APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT

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WHEREAS Holger SCHERERZ of Rehfelde, Germany
hereinafter (collectively) referred to as the assignor, has invented a certain improvement
relating to APPARATUS FOR TURNING FLAT SHIPMENTS for which said assignor has caused an
application for United States Letters Patent to be prepared,
[] the inventor's declaration for said application being executed
concurrently with the execution of this instrument; said application to be filed
in the United States Patent and Trademark Office;
[X] said application having been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark
Office on December 23, 1998, Serial Number [if known] - Unknown -
[] said application having been filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on _____
Serial No. _____, the United States of America being designated.

AND WHEREAS SIEMENS AKTIENGESSELLSCHAFT
Wittelsbacherplatz 2
D-80333 Munich, GERMANY, hereinafter referred to as the assignee, is
desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application,
including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and in and to said invention and
any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues
and prolongations thereof;

NOW THIS WITNESSETH, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good
and valuable consideration paid by said assignee to said assignor, the receipt of which is
hereby acknowledged, said assignor hereby assigns, sells and transfers to said assignee, and
said assignee's successors and assigns, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest
in and to said application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and
in and to said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any
and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof; said assignee, and said assignee's
successors and assigns, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said application, including any
all divisions and continuations thereof, and the said invention and any all patents which may
be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, with
all the rights, powers, privileges and advantages in anywise arising from or appertaining
thereto, for and during the term or terms of any and all such patents when granted, including
any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, for the use and benefit of said
assignee, and said assignee's successors and assigns, in as ample and beneficial a manner as
the said assignor might or could have held and enjoyed the same, if this assignment had not
been made.

AND said assignor hereby agrees to perform, upon the request of said assignee, or said
assignee's successors or assigns, any and all acts relating to the obtaining or to the
asserting of said patents, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations
thereof.

AND said assignor authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to
issue Letters Patent on said application, and on any and all divisions and continuations
thereof, to said assignee, and said assignee's successors and assigns, in accordance
herewith.

EXECUTED, this 28 day of January, 1999.

WITNESSES:

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Signature: [Signature] 28/01/99
Name: Holger SCHERERZ

IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 3.2.
It is hereby certified that the Patent and
Trademark Office has advised that the appli-
cation identified herein has been assigned
Application No. 09/219,462.

April 8, 1999 [Signature]
George H. Spencer
Reg. No. 18,038