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<p>1. Name of conveying party(ies): TopoMetrix Corporation, Inc. 5403 Betsy Ross Drive Santa Clara, California 95054-1162</p> <p>Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Name: <u>Venture Lending & Leasing, Inc.</u> Internal Address: <u>Suite 310</u> Street Address: <u>2010 North First Street</u> City: <u>San Jose</u> State: <u>CA</u> ZIP: <u>95131</u></p> <p>Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>3. Nature of conveyance:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger <input type="checkbox"/> Security Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Release of Security Interest 8677/0896</u></p> <p>Execution Date: <u>October 5, 1998</u></p>	

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):
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<p>A. Patent Application No.(s) <u>07/847160</u></p>	<p>B. Patent No.(s)</p>
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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed.</p> <p>Name: <u>Michael J. Bevilacqua, Esquire</u> Internal Address: <u>Hale and Dorr LLP</u> Street Address: <u>60 State Street</u> City: <u>Boston</u> State: <u>MA</u> ZIP: <u>02109</u></p>	<p>6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <u>1</u></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ <u>40.00</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge fees to Deposit Account</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fees associated with this paper or during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account.</p> <p>8. Deposit account number: <u>08-0219</u></p> <p>(Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)</p>
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<p><u>Michael J. Bevilacqua</u> Name of Person Signing</p>	 Signature	<p><u>April 26, 1999</u> Date</p>
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST

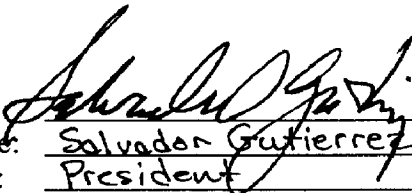
Whereas TopoMetrix Corporation, Inc., a California corporation whose post office address is 5403 Betsy Ross Drive, Santa Clara, California 95054-1162 ("Assignor"), had assigned, to secure the payment of a loan agreement dated August 20, 1997 (the "Loan Agreement") pursuant to a security agreement dated August 20, 1997, a security interest in certain personal property assets of Assignor, including all right, title and interest of Assignor in, to and under all of Assignor's patents, patent applications and patent licenses, as specifically listed on the attached "Schedule 1 to Patent Collateral Assignment," whether presently existing or hereafter arising or acquired, and all products and proceeds thereof, including, without limitation, any and all causes of action which may exist by reason of infringement thereof for the full term of the patents (all of the foregoing are collectively called the "Patents") to Venture Lending & Leasing, Inc., a Maryland corporation having a mailing address at 2010 North First Street, Suite 310, San Jose, California 95131 ("Assignee") by a Patent Collateral Assignment executed August 20, 1997, and recorded at the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 8677 Frame 0896 on September 5, 1997; and

Whereas Assignor has paid in full and satisfied the terms of the Loan Agreement.

Now, therefore, in consideration that Assignor has paid in full and satisfied the terms of the Loan Agreement secured by said Patent Collateral Assignment, Assignee, by these presents, does release Assignor from its security interest in the entire right, title and interest in and to the Patents.

Executed this 5th day of October, 1998, at _____.

Venture Lending & Leasing, Inc.

By: 
Name: Salvador Gutierrez
Title: President

SCHEDULE 1 TO

PATENT COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT

A. PATENTS:

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Title</u>
4,952,857	08/28/90	Scanning Micromechanical Probe Control System
4,956,817	09/11/90	High Density Data Storage and Retrieval System
4,968,914	11/06/90	High Resolution Electromechanical Translation Device
5,009,111	04/23/91	Differential Force Balance Apparatus
5,257,024	10/26/93	Search Position Encoder
5,260,622	11/09/93	High Resolution Electromechanical Translation Device
5,291,775	03/08/94	Scanning Force Microscope with Integrated Optics and Cantilever Mount
5,319,960	06/14/94	Scanning Force Microscope
5,406,832	04/18/95	Scanning Force Microscope Using Synchronous Sampling Detection of an Oscillating Cantilever (Tapping Mode)
5,441,343	08/15/95	Thermal Sensing Scanning Probe Microscope and Method for Measurement of Thermal Parameters of a Specimen
5,455,420	10/03/95	Scanning Probe Microscope Apparatus for Use in a Scanning Electron Microscope
5,469,734	11/28/95	Scanning Apparatus Linearization and Calibration
5,481,908	01/09/96	Resonance Contact Scanning Force Microscope
5,507,179	04/16/96	Synchronous Sampling Scanning Force Microscope
5,510,615	04/23/96	Scanning Probe Microscope Adaptable For Use With a Scanning Electron
5,625,142	04/29/97	Resonance Contact Scanning Force Microscope

B. PATENT APPLICATIONS:

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Title</u>
08/450,979	05/25/95	Thermal Sensing Scanning Probe Microscope and Method for Measurement of Thermal Parameters of a Specimen
08/560,827	11/20/95	Scanning Apparatus Linearization and Calibration System
07/847,160	02/07/96	Scanning Force Microscope
08/605,275	02/07/96	Scanning Force Microscope
08/631,555	04/12/96	Resonance Contact Scanning Force Microscope
08/648,274	05/15/96	Scanning Probe Sensor

C. PATENT LICENSES:

<u>Corresponding Patent No.</u>	<u>Date License Granted</u>	<u>Licensee</u>	<u>Termination Date</u>
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