
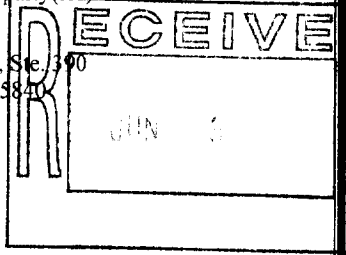
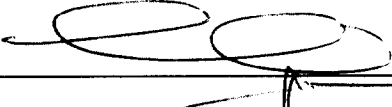


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**DEMAND AGGREGATION THROUGH ONLINE BUYING GROUPS**

and executed therefor an Application for Letters Patent of the United States and

[        ] having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith;  
[X] bearing Serial No. 09/270,219 and filed on March 15, 1999  
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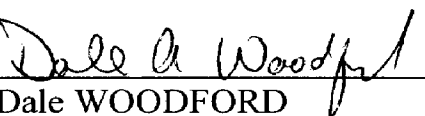
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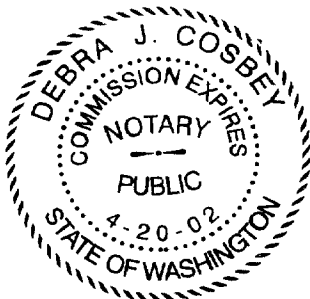
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