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for which application for Letters Patent in the United States was executed on even date herewith.

WHEREAS, Applied Materials, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 3050 Bowers Avenue, Santa Clara, California 95054 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application (hereinafter referred to as Application), and the invention disclosed therein (hereinafter referred to as Invention), and in and to all embodiments of the Invention, heretofore conceived, made or discovered by said Assignors, and in and to any and all patents, inventor's certificates and other forms of protection (hereinafter referred to as Patents) thereon granted in any and all countries and groups of countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration acknowledged by said Assignors to have been received in full from said Assignee:

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- 3. The term and covenants of this agreement shall inure to the benefit of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon said Assignors, their respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 4. Said Assignors hereby warrant and represent that they have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding in conflict herewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Assignors have executed and delivered this instrument to said Assignee on the date indicated below.

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