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Address: 200 First Avenue W, Suite 500

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Richard R. Masters, residing at 5208 Greenlake Way N, Seattle, WA 98103, am the inventor named in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, entitled METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR STORING LOAD BALANCING INFORMATION WITH AN HTTP COOKIE, executed on July 15<sup>th</sup> 1999;

AND, WHEREAS, F5 Networks, Inc., a Washington corporation, having a principal place of business at 200 First Avenue W, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98119 (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring my entire right and title to and interest in my invention disclosed in said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, for sufficient, good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE my entire right and title to and interest in said application and said invention, including the right to apply for international patents and patents thereon in foreign countries in my name or in the name of ASSIGNEE, said invention and all applications and patents on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE as entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this sale, assignment and transfer not been made, and I do hereby further agree and promise to execute all instruments and render all such assistance as ASSIGNEE may request in order to make and prosecute any and all applications on said invention, to enforce any and all patents on said invention, and to confirm in ASSIGNEE legal title to said invention and all applications and patents on said invention, all without charge to ASSIGNEE but at no expense to me.

Executed at Seattle (city), WA (state), this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1999.

*Richard R. Masters*

Richard R. Masters

STATE OF WASHINGTON )

) ss.

COUNTY OF KING )

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Richard R. Masters is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: July 15, 1999

*Twyla M. Williams*

Signature

Printed Name: Twyla M. Williams

Notary Public

My appointment expires 8/25/01

(Seal or stamp)



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