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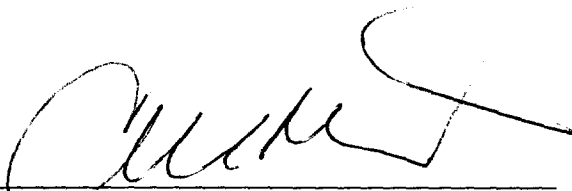
ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, I, **Charles Marsland**, residing at 107 Plympton Road, Sudbury, Massachusetts 01776, and being a citizen of the United States of America, (hereinafter "the Assignor"), hereby assign to **Ceres, Inc.**, a Massachusetts corporation having a principal place of business at 19 Willow Street, Natick, Massachusetts 01760, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are the subject of an application for a United States Patent filed herewith, entitled

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this assignment including said United States patent and any and all foreign patents granted for said inventions or improvements; and I agree for myself and my heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, preliminary statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.


In Witness Whereof, I hereto set my hand and seal at Westborough, MA
this 31 day of August, 1999.



Charles Marsland

Commonwealth of Massachusetts }
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County of Worcester }

Before me this 3rd day of August, 1999, personally appeared Charles Marsland, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.



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My commission expires: August 9, 2002

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