

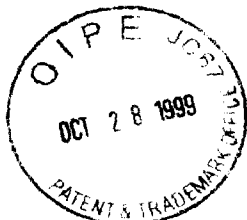
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as assignee, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said
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