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Whereas, ALCATEL, 54, rue La Boetie, 75008 Paris, France (assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,

I/We, the above named assignor(s), hereby sell, assign and transfer to the above named assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the application and the invention disclosed therein for the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto, including rights of priority under the International Convention of Paris (1883) as amended, and I/we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to the assignee, its successors and assigns; and I/we hereby agree that the assignee may apply for foreign Letters Patent on the invention and I/we will execute without further consideration all papers deemed necessary by the assignee in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by the assignee.

I/We hereby authorize and request our attorneys SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN, MACPEAK & SEAS of 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037-3212 to insert here in parentheses (Application number 09/390,022, filed 9/3/99 ) the filing date and application number of said application when known.

Date: October 18<sup>th</sup> 1999 J. Piffaretti  
s/JOSE G. PIFFARETTI

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