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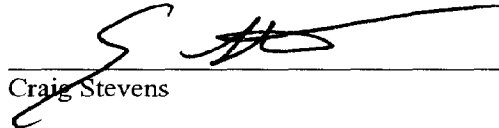
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<u>Anthony Anthony Jakubiec</u>	of	<u>San Jose, California</u>
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hereby sell, assign and transfer to Novellus Systems, Inc., a California corporation, having a place of business at 3970 North First Street, M/S 218, San Jose, California 95134, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in our invention in

Wafer Processing Architecture Including Load Locks

for which we filed a United States Patent Application on September 30, 1999, and now has Serial No. 09/409,841, and all patent applications and patents of every country for said invention, including divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said applications; we authorize the above-named assignee to apply for patents of foreign countries for said invention, and to claim all rights of priority without further authorization from us; we agree to execute all papers useful in connection with said United States and foreign applications, and generally to do everything possible to aid said assignee, their successors, assigns and nominees, at their request and expense, in obtaining and enforcing patents for said invention in all countries; and we request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents granted for said invention to the above-named assignee, its successors and assigns.


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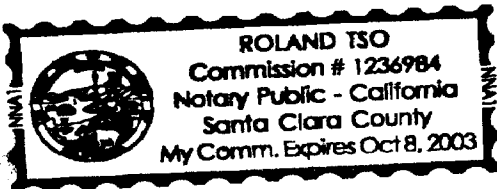
 Craig Stevens

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On Nov. 11, 1999 before me, Roland Tso personally
 appeared Craig Stevens personally known to me or proved to me on
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Executed this 9 day of November, 1999

Anthony Tony Jakubiec
Anthony Tony Jakubiec

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