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For value received, we, Steven M. MICHELSON, of Freehold in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, and Mark A. RATCLIFFE, of Oakhurst in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, hereby sell, assign and transfer to AT&T Corp., a corporation of the State of New York, having an office at 32 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10013-2412, U.S.A., and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America, in and to certain inventions related to **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSACTION ROUTING IN A CONNECTION-ORIENTED PACKET NETWORK USING A NON-FAULT-TOLERANT DIRECTORY SERVER** described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, Application Serial No. 09/464,398, filed December 16, 1999, and all the rights and privileges in said application and under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted in the United States for said inventions; and we also concurrently hereby sell, assign and transfer to AT&T Corp. the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions for all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights of priority arising from the application aforesaid, and all the rights and privileges under any and all forms of protection, including Letters Patent, that may be granted in said countries foreign to the United States for said inventions.

We authorize AT&T Corp. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from us, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of AT&T Corp. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

We request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to AT&T Corp. in the United States and in all countries foreign to the United States, or to such nominees as AT&T Corp. may designate.

We agree that, when requested, we shall, without charge to AT&T Corp. but at its expense, sign all papers, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient in connection with said applications, patents, or other forms of protection.

  
Steven M. Michelson

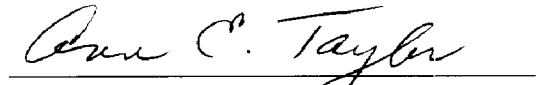
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On this 23rd day of February, <sup>2000</sup>~~19~~, before me personally came Steven M. Michelson, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.

  
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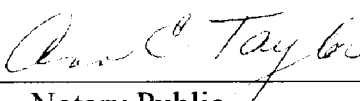
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On this 24th day of February, 192000, before me personally came Mark A. Ratcliffe, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.

  
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