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ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by us, Manuel Aparicio, IV, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 2415 Overland Passage, Chapel Hill, County of Orange, North Carolina 27516; James S. Fleming, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 504 Connemara Drive, Apex, County of Wake, North Carolina 27502; and Dan Ariely, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 33 Antrim Street, Apt. A, Cambridge, County of Middlesex, Massachusetts 02139;

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, we are the joint inventors of certain new and useful improvements in **ARTIFICIAL NEURONS INCLUDING POWER SERIES OF WEIGHTS AND COUNTS THAT REPRESENT PRIOR AND NEXT ASSOCIATIONS** for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 8, 1999, under Serial No. 09/436,925, and

WHEREAS, Saffron Technology Inc., a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 2 Research Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

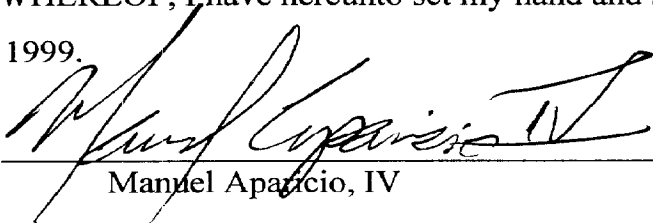
We hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

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We further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, we possess full title to the invention and application above-mentioned, and that we have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

We further covenant and agree to bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns promptly to communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us relating to said invention, to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said invention, to execute any additional papers which may be requested to confirm the right of the assignee, its representatives, successors, or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for the said invention in all countries and to vest in the assignee complete title to the said invention and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this 30 day of December, 1999.



Manuel Aparicio, IV (SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
) ss:
COUNTY OF WAKE)

Before me personally appeared Manuel Aparicio, IV, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purpose therein stated, this 30th day of December, 1999.



Notary Public

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My Commission Expires: August 18, 2004

