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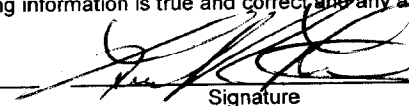
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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, Richard Nelson, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Butte, Montana 59702, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), have invented and own a certain invention entitled "BACKLIT LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY STRUCTURE FOR A LAPTOP COMPUTER", for which application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed on even date herewith;

WHEREAS, **GATEWAY, INC.**, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and having its principal place of business at 610 Gateway Drive, North Sioux City, SD 57049 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States of America, its territorial possessions and in any and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers and sets over unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, not only in the United States and its territorial possessions, but in all countries foreign thereto, to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation,

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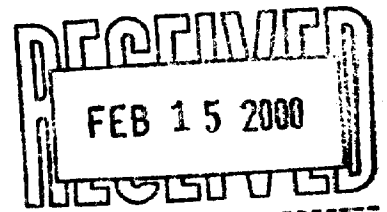
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WITNESS my hand at N. Sioux City (city), S. D. (state), this  
27 day of October, 1999.

Richard Nelson

Assignor: Richard Nelson

The State of SD  
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Richard Nelson, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this 25 day of  
October, 1999.

Stephen Vossler  
Notary Public

