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Washington, D.C. 20231



Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 3.31, enclosed herewith is a document for recordal in this case. The following information is provided:

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**(3) Description Of The Transaction To Be Recorded:**

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**(4) Application(s) and/or Patent(s) Against Which Enclosure Is To Be Recorded:**

☒ Serial Number **09/456,041**, filed **December 6, 1999**.  
☐ Application being filed concurrently herewith.  
☐ Patent Number \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_.

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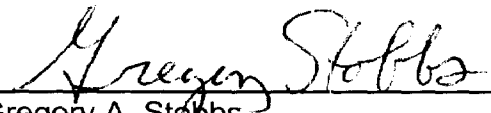
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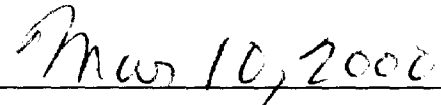
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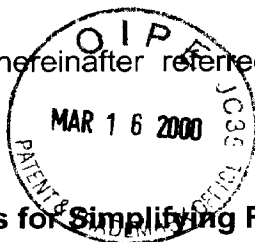
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# ASSIGNMENT BY JOINT INVENTORS

WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred to as Assignors, have invented certain new and useful improvements in



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for which Assignors have made United States application for patent under Serial No. 09/456,041, filed December 6, 1999, and

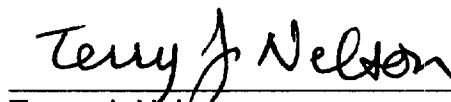
WHEREAS, **Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.**, hereinafter referred to as Assignee, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Assignors by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America and all foreign countries, including the right to claim priority under the laws of the United States and the Paris Convention, to the said invention as described in the aforesaid application, said application for patent and all Letters Patent therefor to be held and enjoyed by Assignee to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Assignors had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignors hereby covenant and agree to execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of applications for patent in the United States and in all foreign countries, for litigation regarding, or for the purpose of protecting title to the said invention, the United States application for patent, or Letters Patent therefor for the benefit of Assignee without further or other compensation than that above set forth; and Assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee.

Dated: 2/25/2000

  
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