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**PRINT CONTROL APPARATUS, PRINT CONTROL METHOD,  
MEMORY MEDIUM FOR STORING PRINT CONTROL PROGRAM,  
AND PRINT CONTROL PROGRAM**

and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed by us on **December 22, 1999** and which has been accorded Application No. **09/470,206**

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