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And we hereby represent and warrant that we have not granted any rights inconsistent with the rights granted herein.

Date: January 13, 2000

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