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CIRCUIT BOARD CONNECTOR EDGE WITH STRADDLE PATTERN TAB DESIGN FOR IMPEDANCE-CONTROLLED CONNECTIONS

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on  
(Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) 3/17, 2000, and  
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