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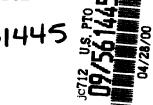


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Sir:

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- The conveyance is an ASSIGNMENT and was executed on April 28, 2000.
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## ASSIGNMENT

(To Be Submitted With Application)

WHEREAS, I, Thor Hallen, a resident of Beaverton, Oregon, am inventor of an improvement in or relating to  $F_T$  MULTIPLIER AMPLIFIER WITH LOW-POWER BIASING CIRCUIT for which I am about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 215 Fourier Avenue, Fremont, California 94539, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Thor Hallen, assign and transfer to CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION, my entire legal and equitable right, title, and interest for the territory of the United States of America, and for all foreign countries, in and to the invention described and claimed in the application \_\_\_\_, preparatory to executed by me on \_\_\_\_April 28, 2000 obtaining Letters Patent of the United States for said invention (and I authorize my attorneys of record to insert the date of execution of the application); said invention, application, and Letters Patent in this or any foreign country, and all divisions, continuations, reissues, and extensions thereof, to be held and enjoyed by the said CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION for its own use and behalf, and for its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term

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for which Letters Patent may be granted in this or any foreign country, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made, and I warrant that I have full right to do so, and agree that I shall communicate to the said CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION, or its successors and assigns any facts known to me respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful declarations, and generally do everything possible to aid CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in this or any foreign country.

EXECUTED at Portland, Oregon, this 28th day of April, 2000, by

101 Hallen

STATE OF OREGON SS. County of Washington )

This 28th day of April, 2000, before me personally came the above-named Thor Hallen, who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes set forth therein.

My commission expires:

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