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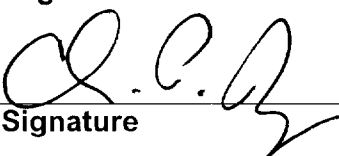
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## ASSIGNMENT

BEFORE, the undersigned authorities, Notaries Public in and for the jurisdictions indicated, and the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses, personally came and appeared:

**CLESTRA CLEANROOM, S. A.**, a company organized under the laws of France, with a mailing address of 56 Rue Jean Giraudoux, Strasbourg, France, 67000, represented herein by its agent, Jean Luc Bikard duly authorized to act herein as per Resolution of the Board of Directors of said corporation (hereinafter collectively "Assignors");

who, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, do hereby:

1. **SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER**, with the warranties contained herein, unto:

**GORDON SALES, INC.**, a Louisiana corporation, domiciled in Bossier Parish, Louisiana, with mailing address of 5023 Hazel Jones Drive, Bossier City, Louisiana 71111, represented herein by its President, Rand H. Falbaum, (hereinafter referred to a "Assignee"),

and Assignee hereby accepts the sale, assignment and transfer of the following property to-wit:

- A. The entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,687,527; such patent and any foreign, reissued or reexamined counterparts thereof; any and all improvements which are disclosed therein, including any corresponding foreign patents or applications relating thereto; all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, reexamined and other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States or any other country on any of such improvements; also including the right to file suit and recover damages for any past, present or future infringement of such patents;
- B. U.S. Patent App. Serial No. 09/175,703 filed on October 20, 1998; such application and all related divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, reexamined and other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States or any other country, specifically including but not limited to App. No. 9807391 filed in France on June 9, 1998; any and all improvements which are disclosed in any of the foregoing applications, including any corresponding foreign patents or applications relating thereto, and all divisional, continuing, substitute,

renewal, reissue, reexamined and other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States or any other country on any of such improvements; and

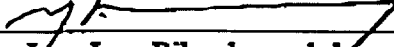
2. AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all patents of the United States or other countries granted to Assignee;

3. WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned Assignor, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned Assignor;

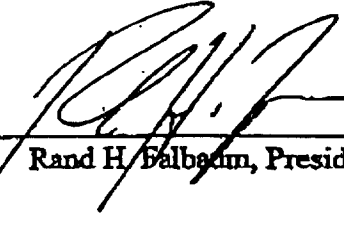
4. WARRANT AND COVENANT that Assignor, when reasonably requested and at the expense of the Assignee, will carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment; will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all such improvements; will execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; will communicate to the Assignee all facts known to the undersigned relating to such improvements and the history thereof; and will generally do everything reasonably possible which the Assignee shall consider desirable for vesting title in the Assignee to the assigned patents, applications and other rights identified hereinabove, and for securing, maintaining and enforcing the patents and other rights; and

ALL OF THE FOREGOING TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned Assignors and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.

CLESTRA CLEANROOM, S. A.

By:   
Jean-Luc Bikard, as duly authorized Agent  
of CLESTRA CLEANROOM, S.A.

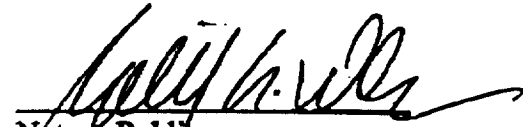
GORDON SALES, INC.

By:   
Rand H. Balboam, President

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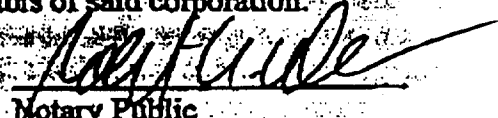
On the 24th day of June, 1999, before me personally came RAND H. FALBAUM, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the President of Gordon Sales, Inc., the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument, and that he signed his name thereto by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

  
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Notary Public

ROBERT K. WEILER  
Notary Public, State of New York  
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On the 24th day of June, 1999, before me personally came JEAN-LUC BIKARD, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the agent of Clestra Cleanroom, Inc., the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument, and that he signed his name thereto by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

  
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