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Whereas, Wolfgang Muhlbauer, executor of the estate of the late Ernst Muhlbauer (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignor"), of Kronprinzenstrasse 7, 22609 Hamburg, Germany, owns all right, title and interest in and to the following United States patents and patent applications:

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and

Whereas Wolfgang Muhlbauer (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignee") is the heir to the estate of Ernst Muhlbauer;

Now, therefore, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patents and patent applications and the inventions covered thereby, together with all damages and profits recoverable at law or in equity or otherwise from any and every party for any and every infringement of said patents and any patents resulting from said applications and all claims and demands for such damages and profits.

In witness whereof, Wolfgang Muhlbauer, executor, executes this Patent Assignment this <u>17th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2000

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