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WHEREAS:

Christopher Richardson,  
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(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), have invented and own a certain invention entitled:

CONNECTING DEVICE

for which application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed on 26/01/99 under the Serial Number PCT/GB99/00262

WHEREAS:

Ultraframe (UK) Limited,  
Enterprise Works,  
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(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof or any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I have hereunto set hand and seal this

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Christopher Richardson