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1. Name of conveying party(ies): Thomas M. Wheeler and Tim Urry Price
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2. Name and Address of Receiving party(ies): 3COM CORPORATION
 5400 Bayfront Plaza, Santa Clara, CA 95052

3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment
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4. New Patent Application entitled: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ALLOWING MULTIPLE NODES IN A SMALL ENVIRONMENT TO PLAY AUDIO SIGNALS INDEPENDENT OF OTHER NODES
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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:
 Name: Ronald M. Pomeranke
 Address: Wagner, Murabito & Hao LLP
 Two North Market Street, Third Floor, San Jose, CA 95113
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6. Total Number of applications and patents involved: ONE

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Ronald M Pomeranke

 Name Ronald M. Pomeranke
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Date: July 27, 2000

Assignment to 3Com Corporation

In consideration of good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we

Tim Urry Price

do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto 3Com Corporation (hereinafter called 3Com), a Delaware Corporation having its principal place of business at 5400 Bayfront Plaza, PO Box 58145, Santa Clara, California 95052-8145, and its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements, including the right of priority in, to, and under, the application for the United States patent entitled:

A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ALLOWING MULTIPLE NODES IN A SMALL ENVIRONMENT TO PLAY AUDIO SIGNALS INDEPENDENT OF OTHER NODES

filed herewith and the inventions set forth and described therein, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of countries foreign thereto which may be granted thereon or therefore; or

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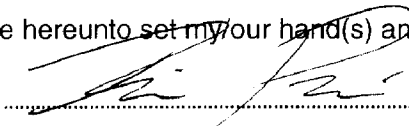
Further, I/we have agreed to assign to 3Com all inventions (except as otherwise limited by law) which relate to 3Com business and which were first conceived or actually reduced to practice during my/our employment by 3Com;

And for the above consideration, I/we agree promptly upon request of 3Com, its successors or assigns, to execute and deliver without further compensation any power of attorney, assignment, application, whether original, continuation, divisional or reissue, or other papers which may be necessary or desirable fully to secure to 3Com, its successors and assigns, the inventions described in said application and all patent rights therein, in the United States and in any country foreign thereto, and to cooperate and assist in the prosecution of interference proceedings involving said inventions and in the adjudication or reexamination of said Letters Patent provided the expenses which may be incurred by me/us in lending such cooperation and assistance are paid by 3Com;

I/we further covenant with 3Com, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

In witness whereof, I/we hereunto set my/our hand(s) and seal.

Inventor's Signature: _____



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