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| Invention: | SELF-SEATING SURGICAL ACCESS DEVICE | | | | | |

WHEREAS, we, James D. Segermark, residing at 3635 Big Fox Road, Gem Lake, Minneosta 55110 and Christopher J. Herman, residing at 3734 East County Line Road, White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110, have made certain new and useful inventions and improvements for which we have executed an international patent application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty which is entitled SELF-SEATING SURGICAL ACCESS DEVICE, filed 02 October 1998 with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as the Receiving Office and assigned Serial No. PCT/US98/20646; and

WHEREAS, ViaMedics, LLC, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Delaware, and having an office and place of business at 3600 Labore Road, White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110 (hereinafter "Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions, improvements, application and any Letters Patent resulting therefrom.

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for the sum of one dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire worldwide right, title and interest in and to (i) the aforesaid international patent application including all national stage applications filed therefrom, (ii) all inventions and improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application, (iii) all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, (iv) all reissues or extensions of such Letters Patents, and (v) all rights under the provisions of the International Convention.

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all United States Letters Patent for the aforesaid inventions and improvements to the Assignee as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns.

We hereby agree that we and our executors and legal representatives will make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing including any and all further application papers, affidavits, assignments and other documents, and will communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns and representatives all facts known to us relating to said improvements and the history thereof and will testify in all legal proceedings and generally do all things which may be necessary or desirable to secure and vest in said Assignee, its successors and assigns, the

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entire right, title and interest in and to the said improvements, inventions, applications, Letters Patent, rights, titles, benefits, privileges and advantages hereby sold, assigned and conveyed.

We covenant and agree with said Assignee, its successors and assigns, that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed, has been made to others by us and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by us.

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| James D. Segermark |
| STATE OF MINNESOTA))ss. |
| COUNTY OF RAMSEY) |
| On this 4 day of October, 2000 before me personally appeared James D. Segermark who executed the foregoing instrument and duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth. |
| Notary Public ******** TARA M. HARRINGTON NOTARY PLBUC - MINNESOTA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JANUARY 31, 2006 |
| TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Christopher J. Herman have hereunto set my hand day of October, 2000. |
| Christopher J. Herman |
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| COUNTY OF RAMSEY) |
| On this 4 day of October, 2000 before me personally appeared Christopher J. Herman who executed the foregoing instrument and duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth. |
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