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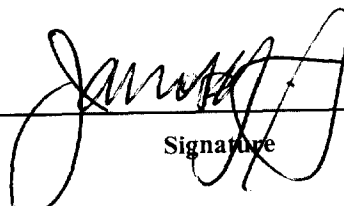
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In consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, READ-RITE SMI CORPORATION, a corporation of Osaka, Japan, having a principle place of business at 2-15-27 Egawa, Shimamoto-Cho Mishima-Gun, Osaka 618-0013 Japan, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to READ-RITE CORPORATION, ("Assignee") a corporation of Delaware, having a principal place of business at 345 Los Coches Street, Milpitas, California, and its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements that are disclosed in the application for the United States patent that was assigned Application No. 09/443,953, and in and to said application and all divisional applications, continuation applications, continued prosecution applications, continuation-in-part applications, substitute applications, renewal applications, reissue applications, reexaminations, extensions, and all other patent applications that have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original patents, reissued patents, reexamination certificates, and extensions that have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements; and in and to all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application;

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covenant with said Assignee, 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 the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

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JULY 25, 2000

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On this _____ day of _____ 2000, before me, _____,
the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared _____

who is personally known to me proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that executed it.

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