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have invented certain improvements in a


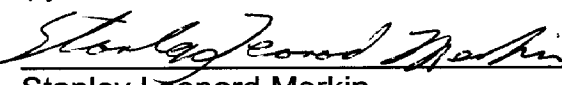
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING A FAULT-RESILIENT BOOT

and executed a United States patent application filed herewith.

WHEREAS, DELL PRODUCTS L.P., a Texas limited partnership having a place of business at One Dell Way, Round Rock, TX 78682-2244 (hereinafter called DELL), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, the above named, hereby acknowledge our prior existing obligation and hereby sell, assign, and transfer to DELL, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign countries, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisional, renewals, continuing applications thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to DELL its successors and assigns; and we hereby agree that DELL may apply for foreign Letters Patent on the invention and we will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by DELL.

(1)	<u>1/23/2001</u> Date
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