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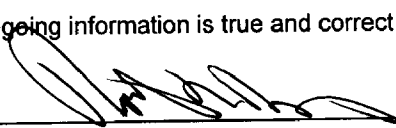
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I

(1) Alain RIPART

respectively residing at:

1) 17, rue de la Gruerie, F-91170, Gif-Sur-Yvette, France

have made an invention entitled: ACTIVE IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR A PACEMAKER, DEFIBRILLATOR AND/OR CARDIOVERTOR OF THE MULTISITE TYPE, CAPABLE OF DETECTING INDUCED TACHYCARDIA.

and

are about to make application for United States Letters Patent therefor, the same being executed by us on even date or dates herewith;

have made application for United States Letters Patent thereof, filed December 1, 2000 under Application Number 09/728,130

and

WHEREAS, Ela Médical S.A., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of FRANCE and having an office and place of business at:

98, rue Maurice-Arnoux
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(hereinafter the "Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said invention for the United States of America, in said United States patent application, and in any United States Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me paid, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all right, title and interest in and to said invention

and any improvements thereon for the United States, and in and to said United States patent application, including any continuations and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any United States Letters Patent which may issue thereon, and any reexamination and reissue of the same; and I hereby authorize and request competent authorities to grant and issue any and all United States Letters Patent on said invention to the Assignee as the assignee of the entire interest therein; and I further agree upon request of the Assignee to give sworn statements and to execute such additional documents, if any, as may be necessary and proper to secure a patent protection and enforce patents in and for the United States, and otherwise to give full effect to and perfect the rights of the assignee under this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto signed our names at the place and on the dates indicated hereinafter:

(1) Alain RIPART 02-06-01
Alain RIPART Date

On this 6 day of February, 2001, before me personally appeared Alain RIPART, to me personally known and known to be the person who executed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

Witness signature _____