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- (1) Justin Ryan Cripps of Tucson, County of Pima and State of Arizona,
- (2) Ernest Stewart Gale of Tucson, County of Pima and State of Arizona,
- (3) Bob Allen Hutchins, of Tucson, County of Pima and State of Arizona, and
- (4) James Michell Karp, of Tucson, County of Pima and State of Arizona.

have invented certain improvements in

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and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

- (1) March 20, 2001, (2) March 19, 2001, and
- (3) March 19, 2001, and (4) March 19, 2001.

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(1) at Tucson, AZ  
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