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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned inventors hereinafter referred to as the "Inventors" each said Inventor's address being listed below

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have invented certain new and useful improvements in

### **Method and Apparatus for Retaining a Core Sample within a Coring Tool**

as described and set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, executed by me on the 29th & 30th days of March, 2001 and on the 2nd day of April, 2001 (File No. 20.2685).

WHEREAS each of the undersigned persons warrants that no person other than these undersigned persons are inventors of the above-described invention;

AND WHEREAS, Schlumberger Technology Corporation, hereinafter referred to as the "said COMPANY", a corporation duly organized, incorporated and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and having a place of business at 110 Schlumberger Drive, Sugar Land, Texas 77478 (P.O. Box 2175, Houston, Texas 77252-2175) is desirous of acquiring or confirming its acquisition of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions or improvements, and in and to said application, and in and to any and all patents, both of the United States and of all foreign countries, that may be obtained therefore;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that the undersigned Inventors, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which hereby acknowledge, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and by this assignment do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world, in and to the above-described invention, inventions or improvements described or set forth in said application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to said application, and in and to any applications filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty; and in and to any confirmation, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, or substitute application which may be filed on said invention, inventions or improvements in the United States or in any foreign country; and in and to any and all patents, certificates, utility models, reissues, extensions, additions or confirmations thereof which may be granted in the United States or in any foreign country upon said invention, inventions or improvements,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such United States and foreign patents and grants may be issued on said invention, inventions or improvements.

AND said Inventors do hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all of said United States and foreign patents on said application or applications to said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said COMPANY, its successors and assigns.

AND said Inventors do hereby covenant and warrant that said Inventors have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned free and clear of all licenses, encumbrances and liens whatsoever, and that no said Inventors has executed and will execute any instruments in conflict herewith.

AND said Inventors, for the conditions aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, that each Inventor, his or her executors, administrators, or other personal representatives, shall and will do all lawful acts and things, make all rightful oaths, and make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing, and any and all further applications, papers, powers, affidavits, assignments, disclaimers and other documents, which in the opinion of counsel for said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, may be required or necessary in this or in any foreign country more effectually to secure to and vest in said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions or improvements, application or applications, patents, rights, titles, benefits, privileges, and advantages hereby sold, assigned, confirmed, transferred and conveyed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Gary W. Contreras**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of March, 2001.

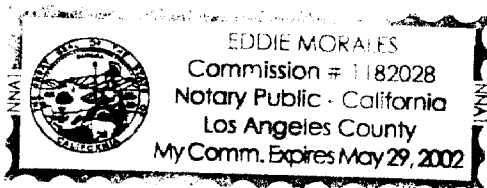
Gary W. Contreras  
(signature of Inventor)

(L. S.)

State of CALIFORNIA )

County of LOS ANGELES )

BEFORE ME this 30th day of MARCH, 2001, personally appeared Gary <sup>WILLIAM</sup> ~~W.~~ Contreras, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.



SEAL

Eddie Morales  
Notary Public

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Edward Harrigan**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of April, 2001.

  
(signature of Inventor)

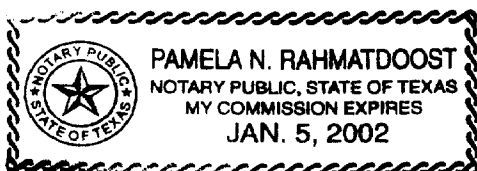
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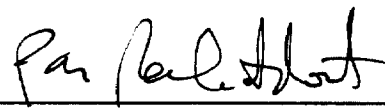
State of Texas )

County of Fort Bend )

BEFORE ME this 2nd day of April, 2001, personally appeared Edward Harrigan, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

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Notary Public

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Bunker M. Hill**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of March, 2001.

  
(signature of Inventor)

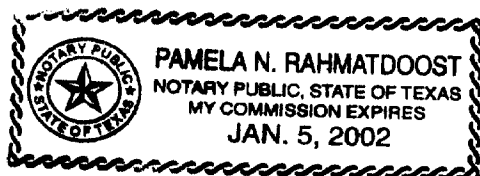
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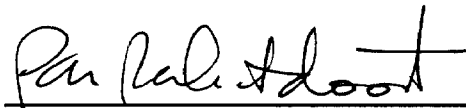
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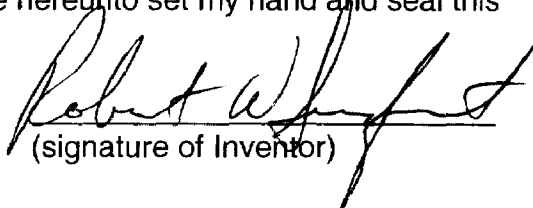
BEFORE ME this 30th day of March, 2001, personally appeared Bunker M. Hill, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Robert W. Sundquist**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this  
24 day of March, 2001.

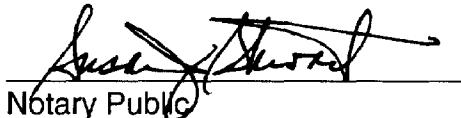
  
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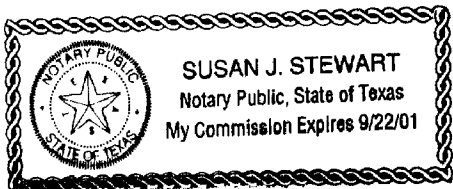
State of TEXAS )

County of Brazoria )

BEFORE ME this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001, personally appeared Robert W. Sundquist, to  
me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument  
and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

  
Notary Public

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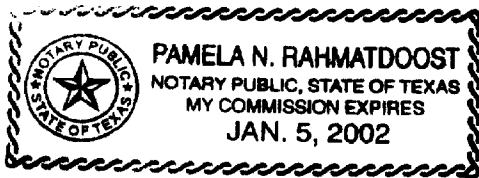
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Dean W. Lauppe**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of MARCH, 2001.

*Dean W. Lauppe*  
(signature of Inventor)

(L. S.)

State of Texas )  
County of Fort Bend )

BEFORE ME this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001, personally appeared Dean W. Lauppe, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.



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*Pam Rahmatdoost*  
Notary Public

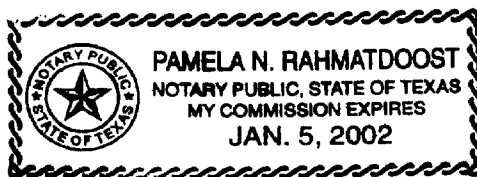
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, **Sony Tran**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of MARCH, 2001.

*Sony Tran*  
(signature of Inventor)

(L. S.)

State of Texas )  
County of Fort Bend )

BEFORE ME this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001, personally appeared Sony Tran, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.



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