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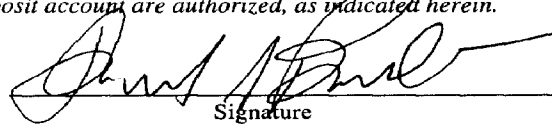
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, David H. Cotter, Ronald C. Ehlert, Thomas J. Pelak, and Kenneth J. Kooistra residing at 5071 Leonard Avenue N.W., Coopersville, Michigan 49404; 4549 Valleyridge S.W., Wyoming, Michigan 49509; 1106 Westmoor Drive N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504; and 3050 Rush Creek Drive, Byron Center, Michigan 49315, respectively (hereinafter referred to as Assignors), have invented certain new and useful improvements in CONTACT ASSEMBLY FOR ACCUMULATION CONVEYORS, for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed November 29, 2000, and assigned Serial No. 09/725,583.

WHEREAS, Rapistan Systems Advertising Corp., a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 507 Plymouth Avenue, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505-6098 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable considerations, Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee the full and exclusive right, title and interest to the said invention in the United States and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, continuation-in-part, and extensions thereof including the full right to claim for any such applications the benefits of the International Convention.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands on the date appearing next to our signature.

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