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WHEREAS, I, Siegfried Keil, a citizen of GERMANY, residing at Bahnhofstrasse 60, 64401 Gross-Bieberau, Germany (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR") am the inventor of certain inventions or improvements for

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for which I have on December 5, 2000 filed an application for Letters (Design) Patent of the United States, under 29/133,771; and

WHEREAS, **Merz & Krell GmbH & Co.**, a corporation of GERMANY, having a principal place of business at Bahnhofstr. 76, 64401 Gross-Bieberau, GERMANY (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions or improvements and in and to said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent which may be granted on or as a result thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid by said ASSIGNEE, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNOR, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, to said ASSIGNEE, my entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions or improvements and said application and any and all continuations, divisions, and renewals of and substitutes for said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent which may be granted on or as a result thereof in the United States, and any reissue or reissues or extension or extensions of said Letters Patent, the same to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE their heirs, assigns, nominees or legal representatives, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent respectively may be granted, reissued or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this assignment, sale and transfer not have been made.


AND we hereby covenant that we have full right to convey entire interest herein assigned, and that I have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith, and I further covenant and agree that I will each time request is made and without undue delay, execute and deliver all such papers as may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said inventions or improvements, said application and said Letters Patent in said ASSIGNEE, their heirs, assigns, nominees, or legal representatives, and I agree to communicate to said ASSIGNEE, or to their nominee all known facts respecting said inventions or improvements, said application and said Letters Patent, to testify in any legal proceedings, to sign all lawful papers, to execute all disclaimers and divisional, continuing, and reissue applications, to make all rightful oaths, and generally to do everything possible to aid said ASSIGNEE, their heirs, assigns, nominees and legal representatives to obtain and enforce for their own benefit proper patent protection for said inventions or improvements in the United States;

AND we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents of the United States to issue to said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest, in and to any and all Letters Patent for said inventions or improvements, including any and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued and granted on or as a result of the application aforesaid, in accordance with the terms of this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set hereunto hand and seal.

Date: 16.1.01

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Siegfried Keil