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WHEREAS, SEISMIC STRUCTURAL DESIGN ASSOCIATES, INC., a California corporation, having place of business at 30131 Town Center Drive, Suite 135, Laguna Niguel, California, 92677, United States of America, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunder set my hand this day of, 2001.
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