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For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we the undersigned,

Hans F. Reinhardt, Manfred Fischer and Marcus Nesper

who, has/have created a certain invention for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been:

☐ **executed concurrently herewith**

☒ **filed on March 1, 2001 and assigned application number 09/797,194 and is entitled:**

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And I hereby appoint: Barry R. Lipsitz, Registration No. 28,637 and Douglas M. McAllister, Registration No. 37,886, all of the firm of Barry R. Lipsitz, Attorney at Law, 755 Main Street, Bldg. 8, Monroe, Connecticut 06468, Telephone (203) 459-0200, my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Wherefore I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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