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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Robert J. Tinsley of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Peter J. Marsico of Carrboro, North Carolina, Lee B. Smith of Apex, North Carolina, Virgil E. Long of Raleigh, North Carolina, and Gregory A. Hunt of Morrisville, North Carolina (hereinafter "Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in DISTRIBUTED SS7 MESSAGE ROUTING GATEWAY for which application for a U.S. Letters Patent was made on January 24, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/768,881.

AND, WHEREAS, Tekelec, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, having its principal office and place of business at 26580 West Agoura Road, Calabasas, California (hereinafter "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with their right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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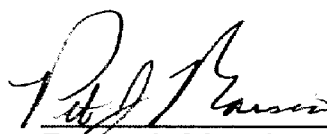
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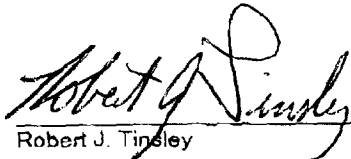
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