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Assignee hereby designates and appoints

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**REEL: 011925 FRAME: 0914**

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we

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**GREVEN, Willem**

**VAN 'T HUL, Cornelus**

**BAKKER, Frans Robbert**

citizens of the Netherlands, and

**HAWKINS, David F.**

a citizen of the United Kingdom

residing at the addresses as stated below, respectively, have jointly made an invention entitled

**"Y-BRANCH SPLITTABLE CONNECTOR "**

for which we have executed an application for United States Letters Patent contemporaneously herewith; and we hereby authorize our attorneys, authorized to prosecute said application, to here insert the filing date and serial number of said application, when known:

Filed: 12/27/2000 Application No. 09/750,802

WHEREAS, we represent and warrant that we are the joint owners of said invention and application for Letters Patent;

WHEREAS, **NKF KABEL B.V.** (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation organized under the laws of The Netherlands, having a place of business at **Zuidelijk Halfrond 11, Gouda, The Netherlands** is desirous of acquiring the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) U.S. currency and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by us, we have assigned, sold, transferred and set over and by these by these presents do assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said ASSIGNEE the

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entire right, title and interest in and to (a) said invention and worldwide rights therein;

(b) said application, including all divisions, continuations and substitutions thereof; and (c) all United States and foreign patents which shall issue on said invention, including all reissues, renewals and extensions thereof, for the United States, its territories and possessions and all foreign countries, including the right to file corresponding applications for Letters Patent on said invention in any and all foreign countries, and to claim priority under any and all treaties and conventions to which the United States of America is signatory including the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property for such corresponding applications, or any division, continuation or substitution thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and successors, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us, had this assignment not been made.

We jointly and severally covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon the request and at the expense of said ASSIGNEE, execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable, in the opinion of said ASSIGNEE, to enable and assist said ASSIGNEE to (a) obtain Letters Patent, both domestic and foreign, on said invention; (b) establish, maintain and secure title in said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to said invention, application and Letters Patent, including making such title of lawful public record; and (c) defend, establish or otherwise preserve the validity of said Letters Patent against any and all infringers, and perform such other acts as are necessary to give full force and effect to this assignment.

We jointly and severally represent and covenant that no assignment, mortgage, sale, license, pledge, encumbrance or alienation of said invention or patent application has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent based on said application and each division, continuation, substitution, reissue, renewal and extension thereof to said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have duly executed this assignment on the date as indicated next to our names.

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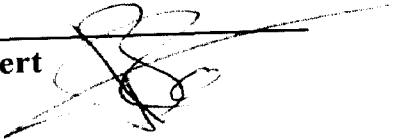
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