

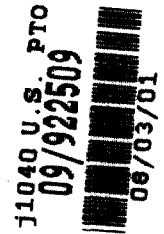
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Mario E. Bran, an El Salvador citizen, residing at 11435 Homeway Drive, Garden Grove, California 92641, Michael B. Olesen, a U.S. citizen, residing at 19561 Larkridge Drive, Yorba Linda, California 92686 and Yi Wu, a China citizen, residing at 5165 Maple, Irvine, California 92612, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a MEGASONIC PROBE ENERGY ATTENUATOR for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, on even date herewith;

AND WHEREAS, Verteq, Inc. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a California Corporation, with its principal place of business at 1241 E. Dyer Road, Suite 100, Santa Ana, California 92705-6533, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2001

Mario E. Bran  
Mario E. Bran

STATE OF California }  
COUNTY OF Orange } ss.

On 8-3-01, before me, Nikki B. Ramos, personally appeared Mario E. Bran personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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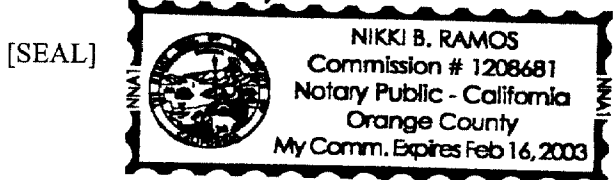
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Michael B. Olesen  
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On 8-3-01, before me, Nikki B. Ramos, personally appeared Michael B. Olesen personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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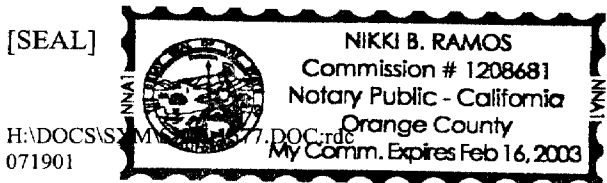
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Yi Wu  
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