09-17-2001 łТ RE. FACSIMILE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SEP 1 0 2001 5 101845087 PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof Name/64pon ying party(ies): 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): 1. Timo Hotti & Jarmo Parkkinen **Solid Information Technology** Name: Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Address: Merimiehenkatu 36 D FIN-00150 Helsinki 3. Nature of conveyance: **FINLAND** Assignment Merger Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No Change of Name Security Agreement Other Execution Date: August 7, 2001 Application number(s) or patent number(s): 09/851,478 4. If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: B. Patent No.(s) A. Patent Application No.(s) Yes No Additional numbers attached? Total number of applications and 6. Name and address of party to whom correspondence 5. patents involved:......1 concerning document should be mailed: Name: Attn: IPT Docket Manager ■ Enclosed Authorized to be charged to deposit account Internal Address: Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP Deposit account number: 8. 12-1322 (017341-00050) (DO NOT attach duplicate copy of this page even if paying by deposit account) Street Address: 600 Travis, Suite 3400 City: Houston State: TX Zip: 77002-3095 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. September 6, 2001 John Wilson Jones Name of Person Signing

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, TIMO HOTTI and JARMO PARKKINEN, are joint inventors of the Method and Arrangement for the Management of Database Schemas application for United States Letters Patent which was filed on May 8, 2001 under Serial No. 09/851,478; and

WHEREAS, Solid Information Technology, a company created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Finland, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Solid Information Technology all right, title and interest in and to the said invention throughout the world, and said application for U.S. Letters Patent, and any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries are or may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States on said invention or resulting from said application and from any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, to Solid Information Technology as assignee of our entire interest, and hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

And we further hereby covenant and agree that we will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title of said invention and to such Letters Patent as may be granted therefor, to Solid Information Technology, its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if Solid Information Technology, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives shall desire to file any divisional or continuation applications or to secure a reissue of such Letters Patent, or to file a disclaimer relating thereto, we will upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for the filing of such divisional or continuation application, or such application for reissue and the procuring thereof, and for the filing of such disclaimer, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

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And we do further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, communicate to Solid Information Technology, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

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