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WHEREAS, DEW Engineering and Development Limited (hereinafter referred to as the assignee), whose full post office address is 3429 Hawthorne Road, Ottawa, Ontario K2E 6T8 Canada is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and in and to any and all patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we have and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, as described in the aforesaid application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to the aforesaid application, and in and to any applications filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file said foreign applications under the provisions of the International Convention; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents, reissues or extensions thereof to be obtained in this or any foreign country upon said invention or inventions, and any divisional, continuation, substitute application(s) or supplementary disclosure(s) which may be filed upon said invention or inventions, in any country; and I/we hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said assignee.

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