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## **ASSIGNMENT**

## **PARTIES TO THE ASSIGNMENT:**

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## **BACKGROUND OF THIS ASSIGNMENT:**

Inventors have conceived certain new and useful inventions disclosed in a United States patent application titled "Methods of Forming Conductive Contacts to Conductive Structures, and Integrated Circuitry".

MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC. (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in said inventions and with respect to any Letters Patent that may be granted with respect to the inventions in both the United States and in all foreign countries.

# **THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

In consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt sufficiency and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, INVENTORS hereby sell, assign and transfer to ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified application executed currently with this assignment and to any

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