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KLA-Tencor Corporation

Address:

160 Rio Robles, San Jose, California 95134-1809

3.	Nature of conveyance Assignment
	Execution Date: Kurt H. Weiner-October 18, 2001, Gaurav Verma-October 29, 2001 and Isabella T Lewis-October 18, 2001
4.	Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s): New
	The title of the (new) application is:

APPARATUS AND METHODS RELIABLE AND EFFICIENT DETECTION OF VOLTAGE CONTRAST DEFECTS

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PATENT REEL: 012348 FRAME: 0728

ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

Whereas I an undersigned inventor have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR RELIABLE AND EFFICIENT DETECTION OF VOLTAGE CONTRAST DEFECTS

Atty. Docket No. KLA1P038/P759), (check one)
for which I have executed a U.S. patent application on even date herewith. (Accompanying which bears U.S. application No (Not accompanying) which is a U.S. provisional application. (Accompanying)
For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I an undersigned inventor hereby:

- 1) Sell, assign and transfer to <u>KLA-Tencor Corporation</u>, a <u>Delaware</u> corporation having a place of business at <u>160 Rio Robles</u>. San <u>Jose</u>, <u>California 95134-1809</u> ("ASSIGNEE"), the entire right, title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, applications based upon, and patents (including foreign patents and the right to claim priority) granted upon, the above-referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division, continuation, substitute, renewal, re-examination or reissue thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor, as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.
- 6) Authorize and request my attorney/agent to insert above the application No. in order to assist with recordal of this assignment.

Signed on the date indicated beside my signature.

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1. Inventor Signature: Date: 10/18/81 Kurt H. Weiner
State of California
County of <u>Santa Clara</u>) ss.
On this day of October, in the year 2001, before me, Notary Public, personally appeared Kurt H. Weiner, personally known to the (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/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her 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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Gaurav Verma
State of California
County of Earta Clara ss.
on this day of the personally appeared Gaurav Verma, 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/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.
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Isabella T. Lewis
State of California) ss.
County of State County of County of State County Public, personally appeared Isabella T. Lewis, personally known to see for 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/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her 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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