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WHEREAS, SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, and having an office for the transaction of business at Wittelsbacherplatz 2, 80333 Munchen, in the Federal Republic of Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that WE, the said Armin Amrhein, Johannes Birzer, Martin Kiesel and Regina Schmitt, are citizens of GERMANY, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, to us in hand paid by said SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, and other valuable considerations unto us moving from said SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention entitled "INTEGRATION METHOD FOR AUTOMATION COMPONENTS" as set forth and described in the application and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

AND WE, the said Armin Amrhein, Johannes Birzer, Martin Kiesel and Regina Schmitt, are citizens of GERMANY, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, its successors and assigns;

AND WE, the said Armin Amrhein, Johannes Birzer, Martin Kiesel and Regina Schmitt, are citizens of GERMANY, for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby

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