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## **ASSIGNMENT**

For good and valuable consideration, I, Markus Loecher, residing at 5 Colonial Avenue, Princeton Jct., NJ 08550, citizen of Germany, hereafter individually or collectively referred to as "Assignor;"

Hereby sell, assign and transfer to Siemens Corporate Research, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the state laws of Delaware, having its principal place of business at 755 College Road East, Princeton, NJ, 08540, hereinafter "Assignee", its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest in and for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which has been executed by the undersigned and filed

On December 14, 2001, U.S. Serial No.: 10/017,013,

Entitled:

## METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE OF A DEVICE BY USING MARKOV TRANSITION PROBABILITIES

and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements;

Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said improvements in its own name; and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said improvements; execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, all facts known to the undersigned relating to said improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns or legal representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting title to said improvements and all applications for patents and all patents on said improvements, in said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives; and

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Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

Markus Loecher

State of New Jepsey ): ss ): ss )

RECORDED: 03/05/2002

Before me this by day of February, 2002 personally appeared Markus Loecher to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein set forth.

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LAURIE ZIMMER
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires June 1, 2005

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