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## ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For value received, I, **Anthony Bessios** of **Fremont** in the State of California, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having an office at 555 Union Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18109, U.S.A., and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America, in and to certain inventions related to **Compensation Of Polarization Mode Dispersion In Single Mode Fiber For Maximum-Likelihood Sequence Estimation** described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed by us of even date herewith, and all the rights and privileges in said application and under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted in the United States for said inventions; and we also concurrently hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc. the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions for all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights of priority arising from the application aforesaid, and all the rights and privileges under any and all forms of protection, including Letters Patent, that may be granted in said countries foreign to the United States for said inventions.

We authorize Agere Systems Inc. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from us, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

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We request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to Agere Systems Inc. in the United States and in all countries foreign to the United States, or to such nominees as Agere Systems Inc. may designate.

We agree that, when requested, we shall, without charge to Agere Systems Inc. but at its expense, sign all papers, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient in connection with said applications, patents, or other forms of protection.

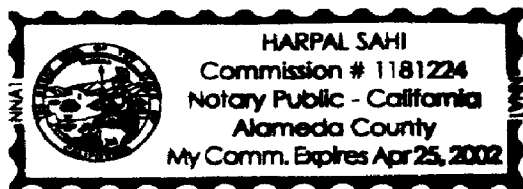
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On this 21st day of FEB, 2002, before me personally came **Anthony Bessios**, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of the same.



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