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## ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For value received, we, Dung Nguyen of Rogers, Arkansas, and Aime V. Rodriguez of Rogers, Arkansas, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having an office at 702 S.W. 8th Street, Bentonville, Arkansas 72716 , 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 **Systems and Methods for Pre-Scanning Merchandise in Customer's Shopping Cart While Customer is Waiting in Checkout Line** which is being filed herewith as a U.S. Patent Application, 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 Wal-Mart Stores, 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 Wal-Mart Stores, 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.


We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

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

We agree that, when requested, we shall, without charge to Wal-Mart Stores, 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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Dung Nguyen

Date: 03/01/02

  
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Aime V. Rodriguez

Date: 28 Feb 02