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WHEREAS, Gary L. Long citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3722 Pleasant Street, Mariemont, OH 45227; David Stefanchik, 9831 Whippoorwill Lane, Mason, OH 45040; David S. Little citizen of the United States of America, residing at 5638 Macey Avenue, Apartment #4, Cincinnati, OH 45227; James A. Craft, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 3425 West Edgebrook Drive, Lexington, KY 40515. (hereinafter called "Assignors"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to

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for which they have this day executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire right, title, and interest therein:

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And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that he has a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

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