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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we Guido De Sandre, Marco Pasotti, Pier Luigi Rolandi, Giovanni Guaitini, David Iezzi and Marco Poles, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having post office addresses of Via Volturmo, 80 – cond. Fiori, I-20047 Brugherio (Milano), Italy; Via B. Croce, 3, I-27028 S. Martino Sicc. (Pavia), Italy; Via Pietra del Gallo, 34, I-15059 Monleale (Alessandria), Italy; Via G. Galilei, 75, I-20060 Trecella (Milano), Italy; Via Crocifisso, 17, I-23875 Osnago (Como), Italy; and Via Fratelli Cervi, 42, I-25016 Ghedi (Brescia), Italy, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled “PROGRAMMING METHOD FOR A MULTILEVEL MEMORY CELL,” as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States letters patent was filed on December 14, 2001 and assigned Application No. 10/017,502, claiming priority based on European Application No. 00830827.2, filed December 15, 2000.

WHEREAS, STMicroelectronics S.r.l. (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of Italy having a place of business at Via C. Olivetti, 2, I-20041, Agrate Brianza (Milano), Italy, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all countries of the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all countries of the world, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file applications worldwide directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from the first filed application to which said worldwide applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had ASSIGNORS been the original owners and this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said

invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and letters patent in all countries of the world on said invention, for litigation regarding letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

Applicants' counsel is authorized to insert the official filing date and application number information when it becomes available.

Guido De Sandre
GUIDO DE SANDRE
Date: 22/2/2002

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that the above person signed this instrument of his own free will, as a voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Witness Low A. Wain
Date: 22/2/2002

Marco Pasotti
MARCO PASOTTI
Date: 26/2/2002

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FRANCESCA TORTORA
Witness Francesca Tortora
Date: 26/02/2002

Pier Luigi Rolandi
PIER LUIGI ROLANDI
Date: 22/02/2002

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Date: 22/02/2002

Giovani Guaitini
GIOVANI GUAITINI
Date: 08/03/2002

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David Iezzi
DAVID IEZZI

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Witness Marco Padmetti

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