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<p>1. Name of conveying party(ies): Weiguo ZHANG</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">6.3.02</p> <p>Additional name/s of conveying party/ies attached? <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Nature of conveyance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger <input type="checkbox"/> Security Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>Execution Date: April 30, 2002</p>	<p>2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):</p> <p>Name: TOSHIBA AMERICA MRI, INC. Internal Address: Street Address: 2441 Michelle Drive P.O. Box 2068</p> <p>City: Tustin State/Country: California Zip: 92681-2068</p> <p>Additional name/s & address/es attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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<p>4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: 2</p>	
<p>A. Patent Application No(s). (1) 10/012,036 (2) _____ (3) _____</p>	<p>B. Patent No(s). (1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____</p>
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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: Chris Comuntzis</p> <p>Internal Address:</p> <p>Street Address: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. 1100 North Glebe Road 8th Floor</p> <p>City: Arlington State: VA Zip: 22201</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications & patents involved: 1</p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 40.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account #14-1140</p> <p>8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper thereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.</p>
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<p>Chris Comuntzis Name of Person Signing Reg. No. 31,097</p>	<p> Signature</p>	<p>June 3, 2002 Date</p>
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For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,
ASSIGNOR, Weiguo ZHANG,

hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE,

TOSHIBA AMERICA MRI, INC.

a California corporation, having its statewide administrative offices located at 2441 Michelle Drive, P. O. Box 2068, Tustin, CA 92681-2068, and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE all of its right, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries in and to, any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

SEQUENCE PRECONDITIONING FOR ULTRA-FAST MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING

and which is found in

- (a) U.S. patent application executed _____, entitled as above and listing the above named person as inventor
- (b) U.S. Application Serial No. 10/012,036, filed on December 11, 2001
- (c) U.S. Patent No.: _____, issued _____

and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, continuation-in-part, extension or substitute thereof, and any reissue, reexamination or extension of said Letters Patent and all rights under all International Conventions for the Protection of Industrial Property;

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment;

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation, or proceeding relating thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue or enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof. An attorney of record is authorized and requested by the execution of this assignment to insert into this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when officially known.

AND the ASSIGNOR requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademark to issue said Letters Patent of the United States and any reissue or extension thereof to the ASSIGNEE,
TOSHIBA AMERICA MRI, INC.

executed this

Signature of inventor

30th day of April, 2002



Weiguo ZHANG