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SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC.

having the following address:

**4150 Network Circle
Santa Clara, CA 95054**

(referred to herein as “COMPANY”), its successors, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest, worldwide, in and to the invention known by the following title:

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