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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS We, Arvid Neil Arvidson of Midland, County of Midland, and State of Michigan; Todd Stanley Graham of Freeland, County of Saginaw, and State of Michigan; Kathryn Elizabeth Messner of Midland, County of Midland, and State of Michigan, and Chris Tim Schmidt of Midland, County of Midland, and State of Michigan; have invented certain new and useful improvements in

Method and Apparatus for Improving Silicon Processing Efficiency

for which application for United States Letters Patent has been executed by us on August 19th, 2002 and

WHEREAS, the Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of Michigan, having its principal place of business at Hemlock, Michigan, U.S.A., is desirous of acquiring the said invention and said application and any and all Letters Patent that may be obtained therefore or thereupon, and all reissues and extensions thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar ($1.00), and other good and valuable considerations, to us in hand paid by the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, its successors, and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said invention and said application for Letters Patent of the United States therefore, and in and to any Divisions and Continuations thereof and in and to any and all United States Letters Patent and reissues and extensions thereof that may be issued for the said invention, to have and to hold for its own use and behoof and the use and behoof of its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same might be enjoyed by us if this sale and assignment had not been made; and

HEREBY AUTHORIZE and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent and any reissues and extensions thereof to the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation as assigns of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and said application and Letters Patent issued therefore or thereupon; and

HEREBY AGREE to execute all instruments and documents within my power which may be necessary for the carrying out of this assignment in full; and to execute any divisional or continuing application or applications which may be necessary or proper to obtain full protection on the invention hereby assigned; and to execute any and all supplemental oaths and preliminary statements should the same be proper and necessary in the prosecution of the aforesaid applications; and
HEREBY FURTHER ASSIGN unto the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, its successors, and assigns, the whole right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in the said application throughout all countries foreign to the United States, and do hereby ratify any acts of the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, its successors and assigns, in applying for patents therefore in its own name in countries where such procedure is proper and do agree to execute applications for said invention in the several countries where it is necessary that the same be executed by the inventors, and to execute assignments of such applications and the patents to be obtained therefore to the said Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation, its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 9th day of August, 2002.

[Signature]

Arvid Neil Arvidson

STATE OF Michigan 

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COUNTY OF Bay 

On this 19th day of August, 2002, before me personally appeared Arvid Neil Arvidson to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Christine M. Fitak
Notary Public

STATE OF Michigan 

) SS,

COUNTY OF Bay 

On this 19th day of August, 2002, before me personally appeared Todd Stanley Graham to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

Christine M. Fitak
Notary Public
IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 19th day of August, 2002.

Kathryn Elizabeth Messner

STATE OF Michigan )
COUNTY OF Bay )

On this 19th day of August, 2002, before me personally appeared Kathryn Elizabeth Messner to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that SHE executed the same as HER free act and deed.

Christine M. Fitak
Notary Public

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 19th day of August, 2002.

Chris Tim Schmidt

STATE OF Michigan )
COUNTY OF Bay )

On this 19th day of August, 2002, before me personally appeared Chris Tim Schmidt to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that HE executed the same as HIS free act and deed.

Christine M. Fitak
Notary Public