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WHEREAS, Minebea Electronics Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "the Assignee"), a Japanese corporation, having a principal place of business at 1743-1 Asana, Asaba-cho, Iwata-gun, Shizuoka 437-1193 Japan, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said Patent and the invention described therein, and each and every patent that can be issued on said invention in the United States of America and in its territories and possessions, and in all countries foreign to the United States of America;

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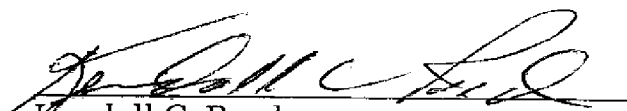
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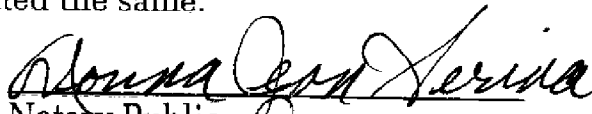
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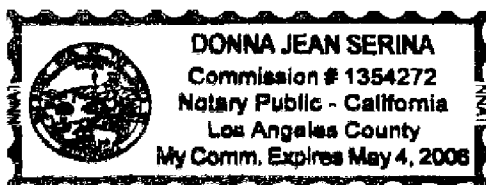
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