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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
a) Name: KLA- Tencor Technologies Corporation  
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- a) Mehran Nasser-Ghodsi 9/11/02  
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4. Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s): Unknown

The title of the (new) application is:

**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DISHING AND EROSION CHARACTERIZATION**

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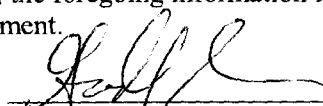
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**PATENT**  
**REEL: 013290 FRAME: 0666**

# ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

Whereas I an undersigned inventor have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

## **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DISHING AND EROSION CHARACTERIZATION**

(Atty. Docket No. KLA1P040/P771), (check one)

- ☒ for which I have executed a U.S. patent application on even date herewith. (Accompanying)  
☐ which bears U.S. application No. \_\_\_\_\_. (Not accompanying)  
☐ which is a U.S. provisional application. (Accompanying)

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I an undersigned inventor hereby:

- 1) Sell, assign and transfer to KLA-Tencor Technologies Corporation, a California corporation having a place of business at One Technology Drive, Milpitas, CA 95035 ("ASSIGNEE"), the entire right, title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, applications based upon, and patents (including foreign patents and the right to claim priority) granted upon, the above-referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division, continuation, substitute, renewal, re-examination or reissue thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor, as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.
- 6) Authorize and request my attorney/agent to insert above the application No. in order to assist with recordal of this assignment.

Signed on the date indicated beside my signature.

1. Inventor Signature: Mehran Nasser-Ghodsi  
Mehran Nasser-Ghodsi

Date: 9/11/02

State of Massachusetts )  
County of Middlesex ) ss.

On this 11th day of September, in the year 2002, before me, Dorothy M. Murray, Notary Public, personally appeared Mehran Nasser-Ghodsi, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature Dorothy M. Murray

2. Inventor Signature: Phil Wood  
Phil Wood

Date: 9/11/02

State of Massachusetts )  
County of Middlesex ) ss.

On this 11th day of September, in the year 2002, before me, Dorothy M. Murray, Notary Public personally appeared Phil Wood, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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