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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Roy K. Malkin, of Lakeville, MN, Roland C. Kippenhan, Jr. of Woodbury, MN, Michael P. Petersen of Eden Prairie, MN, Thomas L. Fenton of St. Louis Park, MN, , and, have invented certain new and useful improvements in APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR STEAM REPROCESSING FLEXIBLE ENDOSCOPES, in which an application is about to be made for Letters Patent of the United States, said application having been executed on even date herewith, and which may be identified in the United States Patent Office by Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, and

WHEREAS, Minntech Corporation, a Corporation of the State of Minnesota, and having its principal offices at 14605-28<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55447-4822. (hereinafter "said Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and the Letters Patent, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue, including all rights under the International Convention, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee in accordance herewith.

We Hereby Authorize said Assignee, its successors and assigns or anyone it may properly designate, to insert in this instrument the filing date and Serial Number of said application when ascertained.

We Further Authorize said Assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent, in its own name, if desired, in any and all foreign countries, and additionally to claim the filing date of said United States application and/or otherwise take advantage of the provisions of the International Convention.

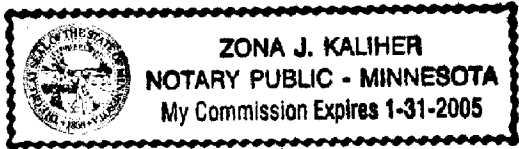
We do hereby covenant and agree with the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, that we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that we or our executors or administrators will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee, its successors and assigns, may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued or extended Letters Patent of the United States, or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights, occurring as a result of such applications or patents, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents.

In Witness Whereof, Roy K. Malkin has hereunto set our hands on the date written below.

Roy K. Malkin 11/11/02  
Roy K. Malkin Date

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
) ss.  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002, before me personally appeared Roy K. Malkin, 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.

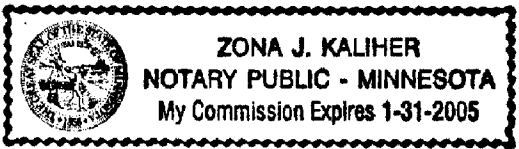


Zona J. Kaliher  
Notary Public

Roland C. Kippenhan, Jr. 11/11/02  
Roland C. Kippenhan, Jr. Date

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COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 2002, before me personally appeared Roland C. Kippenhan, Jr., 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.



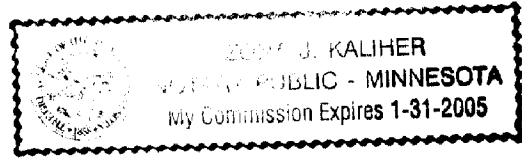
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On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002, before me personally appeared Michael P. Petersen, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.



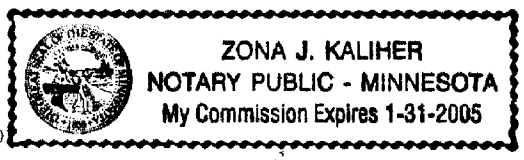
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On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002, before me personally appeared Thomas L. Fenton, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.



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