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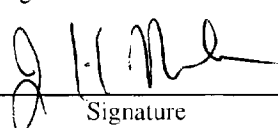
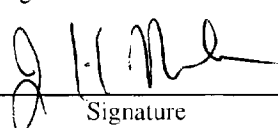
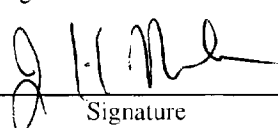
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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: Jeffry H. Nelson</p> <p>Internal Address:</p> <p>Street Address: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. 1100 North Glebe Road 8th Floor</p> <p>City: Arlington State: VA Zip: 22201</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications & patents involved: 1</p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 40.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account #14-1140</p> <p>8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper thereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.</p>									
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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, of which we acknowledge receipt, Kenneth Neil WHALING, Eric Stephen KAUFMAN, and William Michael STARR, of 310 Summerwalk Place, Simpsonville, South Carolina 29681; 10 Kingswood Drive, Clifton Park, New York 12065; and 11 Blue Jay Way, Rexford, New York 12148; respectively, sell and assign to General Electric Company, a New York Corporation, its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the improvements in A METHOD FOR PERFORMING A HAZARD REVIEW AND SAFETY ANALYSIS OF A PRODUCT OR SYSTEM invented by us, as described in the application for United States Patent, therefor in any and all countries, including all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said General Electric Company, or its successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of said Company, we will communicate to said Company or its representatives or nominees any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

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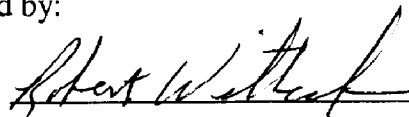
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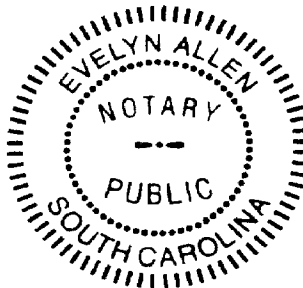
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STATE OF South Carolina

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This 29th day of October, 2002, before me personally came the above-named, Kenneth Neil WHALING, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

A handwritten signature of the Notary Public, Evelyn Allen.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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A handwritten signature of Eric Stephen KAUFMAN.

Eric Stephen KAUFMAN

Witnessed by:

Name: Robert W. H. H.

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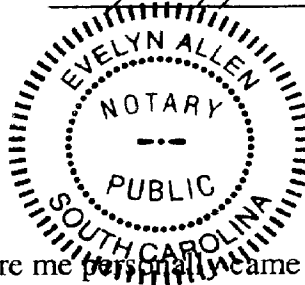
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This 29th day of October, 2002, before me personally came the above-named, Eric Stephen KAUFMAN, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

A handwritten signature of the Notary Public, Evelyn Allen.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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William Michael STARR

William Michael STARR

Witnessed by:

Name: Carrie E. Chendrum

Date: 10/30/02

Name: Carol L. Hill

Date: 10/30/02

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COUNTY OF Schenectady

This 30th day of October, 2002, before me personally came the above-named, William Michael STARR, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Vanita R. Downey
Notary Public

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