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ASSIGNMENT


WHEREAS, HITACHI KOKI CO., LTD. (hereinafter "KOKI"), a corporation of JAPAN having a principal place of business at 15-1, Konan 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan, is the owner of partial right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements that are disclosed in United States Patents No. 5,485,260 and No. RE 35,923, and in and to all divisional applications, continuation applications, continuation-in-part applications, continued prosecution applications, requests for continued examination, substitute applications, renewal applications, reissue applications, re-examinations, extensions and all other patent applications that have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements, and is entitled in and to all rights of priority resulting from the issue of said United States Patents by virtue of the Assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 29 November 1994 at Reel 7237, Frame 990 (copy attached);

AND WHEREAS, HITACHI PRINTING SOLUTIONS, LTD. (hereinafter "PRINTING SOLUTIONS"), a corporation of JAPAN having a principal place of business at 810, Shimo-Imaizumi, Ebina-City, Kanagawa-Pref., Japan, is desirous of acquiring the right, title and interest held by KOKI for the United States and all foreign countries in and to said United States Patents and in and to all applications and priorities and patents resulting from the issue of said United States Patents;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, KOKI does assign, transfer and convey to PRINTING SOLUTIONS, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the right, title and interest in and to the above-identified United States Patents held by KOKI, and in and to all applications and priorities resulting from the issue of said United States Patents, and in all foreign countries, for its sole use and benefit, so that PRINTING SOLUTIONS, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, may hold same as would be held by KOKI if this Assignment were not made; and KOKI covenants with PRINTING SOLUTIONS, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, that no other Assignment, Grant, Mortgage, License or other Agreement affecting any of the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by KOKI, and that full right to assign, transfer and convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by KOKI.

For HITACHI KOKI CO., LTD.

Date: December 20, 2002

Signature: 

Printed Name: Tsuneyuki HIDA

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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, as a below named inventor, I hereby sell and assign to Hitachi, Ltd. of 6, Kandasurugadai 4-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan and Hitachi Koki Co., Ltd. of 6-2, Ohtemachi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan its successors and assigns or other legal representatives all my rights, title and interest, in and for the United States of America, in and to

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And I hereby agree to sign and execute any further documents or instruments which may be necessary, lawful, and proper in the prosecution of the above-named application or in the preparation and prosecution of any continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, divisional, renewal, reviewed or reissue applications or in any amendment, extension, or interference proceedings, or otherwise to secure the title thereto in said assignee;

And I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said Hitachi, Ltd. and Hitachi Koki Co., Ltd.

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