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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Dell USA, L.P. (hereafter "Assignor"), a Texas Limited Partnership, having an address of One Dell Way, Round Rock, Texas 78682-2244, is the owner of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/384,172 filed on August 27, 1999 by D. Scott Green et al. entitled *Maintaining Signal Guard Bands When Routing Through a Field of Obstacles* and invention described and claimed therein (hereafter the "Patent Property"); and

WHEREAS, Dell Products L.P. (hereafter "Assignee"), a Texas Limited Partnership, having an address of One Dell Way, Round Rock, Texas 78682-2244, desires to acquire all right, title and interest in and to the Patent Property.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, , the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Assignee, all its right, title and interest in and to the Patent Property, as well as all provisionals, continuations, divisions, and continuations-in-part of said Patent Property, and all reissues and extensions thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns, or legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which such Patent Property may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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Assignor also assigns unto Assignee all claims for damages by reason of infringement prior to the assignment date of the Patent Property throughout the world, with the right to sue for and collect the same for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns and other legal representatives.

Assignor also will communicate to Assignee any facts known to it respecting any improvements; and, at the expense of Assignee, will testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue and substitute applications, make lawful oaths and declarations, and generally do everything possible

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Patent Assignment to be executed on the dates and in the capacities shown below.

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By: Thenry N. Garrana

VP Legal - Intellectual Property and

Deputy General Counsel

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Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public on this day personally appeared HENRY N. GARRANA, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that the same was the act of the said Dell USA, L.P., a Texas Limited Partnership, and that he had executed the same as VP Legal - Intellectual Property and Deputy General Counsel of such partnership for the purpose and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 164 day of Omuan



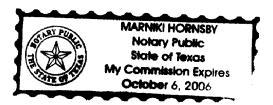
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