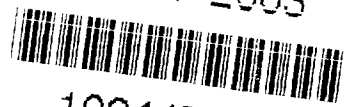


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INVENTION: Method and Apparatus for Spatial Domain Multiplexing in Optical Fiber Communications

WHEREAS, I, BARRY G. GROSSMAN of 530 Sherwood Ave. Satellite Beach, Florida USA (“Assignor”), have invented certain new and useful improvements as described in the U.S. Provisional Patent Application #60/337,316 entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SPATIAL DOMAIN MULTIPLEXING IN OPTICAL FIBER COMMUNICATIONS, such application having been filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 12/06/2001;

WHEREAS, the Florida Institute of Technology (“Assignee”), which provided funding, employment and/or sponsorship for Assignor, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the provisional application, and any subsequent applications and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained;

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