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- Application entitled *40 Gbit/s SONET Framer With Multiple Clock-Crossing Capability* which was filed on *December 1, 2000*, and assigned Serial No. *09/728,176*.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have duly executed this Assignment on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2004.

ALCATEL USA SOURCING, L.P.



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