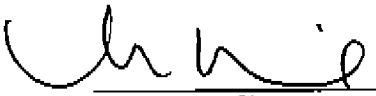


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WHEREAS, SCOTT MANZO of 272 East Village Road, Shelton, CT 06484; JOSEPH P. ORBAN III of 42 Winfield Street, Norwalk, CT 06855; ANDRIS RAMANS of 684 Durshire Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94087; MATT WILLIAMS of 1124 Maggie Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94597 hereinafter referred to as "Assignors," are the inventors of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: ELECTRO-SURGICAL INSTRUMENT WITH REPLACEABLE END-EFFECTORS AND INHIBITED SURFACE CONDUCTION

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Application No.: 10/611,411; and

WHEREAS, Intuitive Surgical, Inc., a corporation of the state of Delaware, located at 950 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale, CA, 94086, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

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