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hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented certain new and useful improvements in an invention entitled:

**ACTUATING ELEMENT COMPRISING A LOCKING  
ELEMENT FOR INSERTING AND REMOVING FLAT  
MODULES BY LEVERAGE IN AT LEAST THREE  
CONNECTION POSITIONS, FRONT ELEMENT FOR A  
FLAT MODULE, COMPRISING AN ACTUATING  
ELEMENT AND A SUBASSEMBLY SUPPORT FOR  
RECEIVING FLAT MODULES**

which is described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States executed by ASSIGNORS on even date herewith, and naming as inventors Werner KOERBER, Kurt Michael SCHAFFER and Ralf BEHRENS; said improvements as described and claimed in said application for Letters Patent of the United States, being hereinafter referred to as said "Invention"; and


WHEREAS, Rittal Electronics Systems GmbH & Co. KG, a limited partnership duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Country of Germany and having its principal office and place of business at Auf dem Stützelberg, DE-35745 Herborn, Germany, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNORS' entire rights, title and interest in and to said Invention, and in, to and under Letters Patent therefor in the United States;

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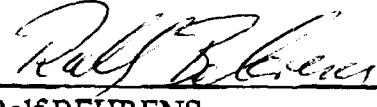
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