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4,976,457

5,060,986

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WHEREAS, HSBC BUSINESS CREDIT (USA) INC. (predecessor-in-interest to HSBC Business Loans, Inc.), is the secured party ("Secured Party") with respect to the patents, patent registrations and patent applications ("Patents") owned by Sigma Corporation ("Borrower"), including, without limitation, those patents, patent registrations and patent applications listed on Exhibit A annexed hereto and described in a certain patent security agreement dated as of September 5, 1996 by and between Borrower and Secured Party, notice of which was recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office at reel 08146 and frame 0137 on September 23, 1996 ("Security Agreement");

WHEREAS, Borrower is the owner of the Patents; and

WHEREAS, the indebtedness secured by the Patents pursuant to the Security Agreement has been repaid;

NOW, THEREFORE, Secured Party does hereby release any and all interests in each of Borrower's Patents, including, without limitation, each patent, patent registration and patent application listed on Exhibit A annexed hereto.

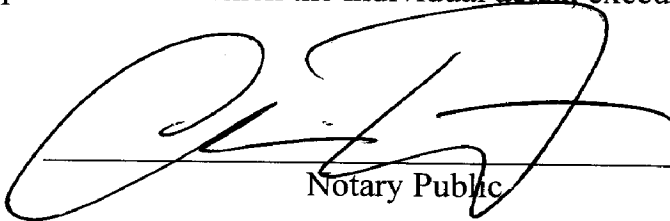
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Secured Party has caused this Patent Release to be duly executed by its respective officers as of the 24th day of July, 2003.

HSBC BUSINESS CREDIT (USA) INC.
(^{Successor}~~predecessor~~-in-interest to HSBC Business
Loans, Inc.)

By:  _____


STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

On the 24th day of July, 2003 before me, the undersigned, personally appeared John Heffer, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.



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Exhibit A

PATENTS

| <u>Patents</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Filed</u> |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Sleeve adapter | 4,976,457 | December 11, 1990 |
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