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<b>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</b>  David N. Lathrop, Esquire GALLAGHER & LATHROP A Professional Corporation 601 California Street, Suite 1111 San Francisco, CA 94108-2805	<b>6. Total Number of applications and patents involved:</b> 1  <b>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41):</b> \$ 40.00  <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge to deposit account (copy attached)  <b>8. Deposit account number:</b> 07-0137	
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**(1) Meridian Audio Limited**

**and**

**(2) Meridian Lossless Packing Limited**

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**ASSIGNMENT OF  
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

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# ASSIGNMENT

**THIS AGREEMENT is made on**  
**BETWEEN**

**2000**

- (1) **Meridian Audio Limited**, a company incorporated in England and Wales under number 2710631 whose registered office is at Stonehill, Stukeley Meadows, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE29 6EX (the "Assignor")
- (2) **Meridian Lossless Packing Limited**, a company incorporated in England and Wales under number 3620424 whose registered office is at Stonehill, Stukeley Meadows, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE29 6EX (the "Assignee")

## Recitals:

- (A) Assignor has assigned to Assignee certain rights in inventions made by Mr Robert Stuart in the course of his employment for Assignor.
- (B) Assignor has received from Mr Robert Stuart an assignment of the Inventions, the Patent Applications, the Patents, the Know-How and the Copyrighted Works and the Improvements (as hereinafter defined) which did not vest in Assignor by the operation of the employment contract between Assignor and Mr Robert Stuart.
- (C) Assignor is entering into this Agreement in order to assign to Assignee the rights referred to in Recital B.

The Parties agree as follows:

## 1. Definitions

In this Agreement the following words shall have the meanings set out against them:

"Assigned Technology"	Assignor's entire right, title and interest, if any, in the Inventions, the Patent Applications, the Patents, the Know-How, the Copyrighted Works and the Improvements;
"Copyrighted Works"	all copyright, design rights and rights of an equivalent nature of which Assignor is now or subsequently becomes the beneficial owner, or which are licensable by Assignor, in all documents, materials and other matter (whether electronic or otherwise) which embody any of the Know-How;

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"Excluded Improvements"	those Improvements which the Assignee is not required to convey to Dolby Laboratories Licensing Corporation ("Dolby") pursuant to the research and development agreements entered into between Dolby and The Assignor and between Dolby and Algol Applications Limited on September 27, 1999 and October 4, 1999 respectively;
"Improvements"	any improvements, modifications or enhancements to any part of the Assigned Technology made by Assignor or on its behalf, including without limitation any such improvements, modifications or enhancements which expand the applications to which the Assigned Technology may be put or which would if implemented replace or displace the Assigned Technology in one or more commercial markets material to the Assigned Technology but always excluding Excluded Improvements;
"the Inventions"	<p>the inventions entitled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) "Transcoders for Fixed and Variable Rate Data Streams";</li><li>(ii) "Lossless Packing" and</li><li>(iii) "Matrix Improvements to Lossless Encoding and Decoding"</li></ul> <p>in each case described in the Patent Applications;</p>
"Know-how"	all technical or commercial information, software and know-how, whether patentable or not, owned by Assignor and relating solely to, or to the extent that it relates to, the Inventions as at the effective date of this Agreement in whatever form and on whatever medium other than the subject matter of the Patent Applications, including but not limited to all techniques, operating instructions, designs, raw material or production specifications, drawings, blue prints and any other information;
"the Patent Applications"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) United Kingdom Patent Application number 9814513.9;</li><li>(ii) International Patent Application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty number PCT/GB99/02138;</li><li>(iii) United Kingdom Patent Application number 9907918.8;</li></ul>

- (iv) United Kingdom Patent Application number 9907919.6;
- (v) Argentine Patent Application number P000101618;
- (vi) Taiwanese Patent Application number 89106477;
- (vii) Malaysian Patent Application number PI20001442;
- (viii) International Patent Application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty number PCT/GB00/01308;

and each and every additional application filed anywhere in the world, whether or not the country of filing is a member of the International Union for the Protection of Industrial Property (the Paris Convention) which is a divisional, substitution, continuation, continuation-in-part of or is based on any of the foregoing patent applications or which relates to the Inventions and all priority rights associated with the filing of each of the foregoing applications for each country of the Paris Convention; and

"the Patents"

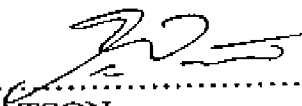
each and every patent in respect of the Inventions that may be granted by any country on the Patent Applications and each every reissue, re-examination or extension of each and every such patent.

2. In consideration of the sum of £1.00, now paid by the Assignee to the Assignor (receipt of which the Assignor hereby acknowledges) the Assignor HEREBY ASSIGNS unto the Assignee all its interest in and to the Assigned Technology and the full and exclusive benefit thereof and all rights privileges and advantages appertaining thereto TOGETHER WITH such rights as the Assignor may have to recover, and take all such proceedings as may be necessary for the recovery of, damages or other forms of relief in respect of all infringements of the Patents whether taking place before or after the date of this Assignment TO HOLD the same unto the Assignee absolutely.
3. The Assignor HEREBY COVENANTS with the Assignee that the Assignor will at the expense of the Assignee execute, sign and do all such instruments, applications, documents, acts and things as may reasonably be required by the Assignee to enable the Assignee or the nominee of the Assignee to enjoy the full benefit of the property and rights hereby assigned and to enjoy the exclusive benefit of any extension prolongation or further grant of patents for the time being vested in the Assignee by virtue of this Assignment.

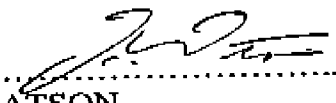
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4. The terms, covenants and provisions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon the Assignor, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.
5. This Assignment shall be deemed to have taken effect on October 5, 1999 with respect to the invention entitled "Lossless Packing" as disclosed in United Kingdom Patent Applications numbers 9907919.6 and 9907918.8. This Assignment shall be deemed to have taken effect on April 7, 2000 with respect to all other Assigned Technology.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties have executed this Deed as a deed on the date first above written.

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 DOUGLAS WATSON  
 for and on behalf of  
 MERIDIAN AUDIO LIMITED

..... 27 JUNE 2000  
 Date

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 DOUGLAS WATSON  
 for and on behalf of  
 MERIDIAN LOSSLESS PACKING  
 LIMITED

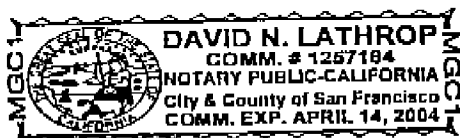
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I certify that this is a true and accurate copy of an original document.

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 David N. Lathrop  
 Notary Public

Dated: Feb. 1, 2002

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