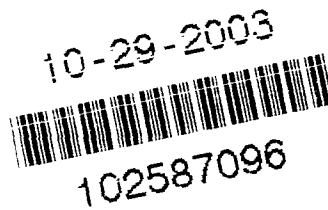


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WHEREAS, we, JONATHAN THOMPSON, YURI GERNER, and CARL W. SIMS, citizens of the United States of America, residing at 15911 Furuby Rd, Center City, Minnesota 55012; 2086 Timmy Street, Mendota Heights, Minnesota 55120; and 1136 Colette Place, St. Paul, Minnesota 55116; respectively, are the inventors of that certain invention disclosed and claimed in an application for United States Letters Patent executed by Jonathan Thompson on October 8, 2003; by Yuri Gerner on October 8, 2003; and executed by Carl W. Sims on October 8, 2003, and entitled "FILTER APPARATUS"; and

WHEREAS, SYSTEC INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota and having its principal office located at 213 Old Highway 8, New Brighton, Minnesota 55112 is desirous of acquiring the said invention and any and all patents of any and all countries which may be granted on said invention.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by said SYSTEC INC. and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, we, JONATHAN THOMPSON, YURI GERNER, and CARL W. SIMS have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said SYSTEC INC. the entire right, title, and interest, both legal and equitable, in and to the said above identified invention for all countries, in and to the same above identified application for patent, and in and to any and all patents of any and all countries which may be granted on said invention; and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and

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