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And Whereas, <u>Carl Zeiss Microelectronic Systems GmbH</u> of <u>Carl-Zeiss-</u> <u>Promenade 10, D-07745 Jena, Germany</u> (hereinafter "Assignee") is/are desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor:

Now, Therefore, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for good and valuable consideration (the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged) the Assignor has assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does assign, transfer and set over unto the said Assignee for the territory of the United States of America, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said invention, as fully set forth and described in the specification.

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