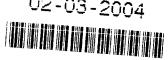
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ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For value received, we, Dennis E. Dudeck of Hazelton in the County of Luzerne and the State of Pennsylvania; Donald Albert Evans of Lancaster in the County of Fairfield and the State of Ohio; Ross Alan Kohler of Allentown in the County of Lehigh and the State of Pennsylvania; Richard Joseph McPartland of Nazareth in the County of Northampton and the State of Pennsylvania; and Hai Quang Pham of Hatfield in the County of Montgomery and the State of Pennsylvania, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having an office at 1110 American Parkway NE, Allentown, PA 18109, U.S.A., and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire-right, title and interest, for the United States of America, in and to certain inventions related to a METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING LEAKAGE CURRENT IN A READ ONLY MEMORY DEVICE USING SHORTENED PRECHARGE PHASE, described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed by us on even date herewith, and all the rights and privileges in said application and under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted in the United States for said inventions; and we also concurrently hereby sell, assign and transfer to Agere Systems Inc. the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions for all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights of priority arising from the application aforesaid, and all the rights and privileges under any and all forms of protection, including Letters Patent, that may be granted in said countries foreign to the United States for said inventions.

We authorize Agere Systems Inc. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from us, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of Agere Systems Inc. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

We request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to Agere Systems Inc. in the United States and in all countries foreign to the United States, or to such nominees as Agere Systems Inc. they may designate.

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We agree that, when requested, we shall, without charge to Agere Systems Inc. but at its expense, sign all papers, and do all acra which may be accessary, desirable or convenient in connection with said applications, patents, or other forms of protection.

Dennis E. Dudeck

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