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(1-5) Insert Name(s) of Inventors (1) Ludwig, Hans-Josef
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In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns, transfers and sets over to

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 for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of
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