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Application Serial No.: 09/104693, now US Patent 5,971,977

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The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of record in said application(s) to insert in this Assignment the serial number, filing date, and date of execution of said application(s).

For said considerations, the undersigned hereby agrees, upon the request and at the expense of said Assignee, to execute any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute application for said invention or improvements, and any oath or affidavit relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application(s), and, in the event of any application or Letters Patent assigned herein becoming involved in an interference, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the undersigned in the matters of preparing and executing the preliminary statement and giving and producing evidence in support thereof. The undersigned agrees to perform, upon request, any affirmative acts to obtain said Letters Patent of the United States and vest in said Assignee all rights therein, whereby said Letters Patent will be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, to the full end of the term

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