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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, residing at Ketan J. Shah, residing at 97958 McClellan Road, Apt. 1, Cupertino, California 95014, and Theodore R. Lundquist, whose post office address is P.O. Box 360316, Milpitas, California 95036, (hereinafter, individually and collectively the "Assignor"), have invented certain new and useful systems, devices, and methods disclosed and described in a utility application for Letters Patent in the United States ("U.S."), titled "Apparatus and Method For Detecting Photon Emissions From Transistors," which can be identified in the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") by Application No. 10/728,522, filed on December 5, 2003 (the "Utility Application") with attorney docket no. 2036US/2; and

WHEREAS, Assignor desires to assign any and all right, title and interest to said Utility Application, and any provisional, non-provisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, international, foreign, regional and convention application corresponding thereto, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and countries and regions foreign thereto which may grant or have granted thereto or be lodged in relation thereto, any reissue or reexamination thereof or to be obtained therefor, any renewals, or substitutes thereof, and in and to any and all priority rights or priority claims, International Convention rights, any and all rights to collect past damages for infringement of any and all Letters Patent of the United States and countries and regions foreign thereto which may be published, which may grant, or have granted thereto or be lodged in relation thereto, and other benefits accruing to or to accrue to Assignor with respect to the filing of applications for patents or securing of patents in the United States and countries foreign thereto (the "Patent Rights");

WHEREAS, Credence Systems Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and having its principal place of business at 1421 California Circle, Milpitas, California 95035-3099 (the "Assignee"), desires to acquire any and all, right, title, and interest of Assignor in and to the invention(s), the Patent Rights, and in, to, and under any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, for the sum of \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration to Assignor in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, and set over and by these presents does hereby sell, assign and transfer to the said Assignee, and said Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns, any and all of the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, Patent Rights, and any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, the Assignor hereby covenants and agrees with the said Assignee that it will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that it will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, provisionals, non-provisionals, continuations, continuations-in-part, continuing prosecutions, divisionals, renewals, reissues, reexamined or extended Letters Patent of the United States, or of any and all foreign countries, on said Patent Rights, and execute



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor hereunto has executed this Assignment upon the date indicated below.

Date: 30 Sep 2004 2004

By: Theodore R. Lundquist  
Theodore R. Lundquist

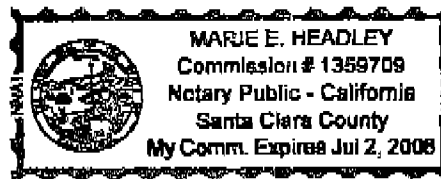
STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF Santa Clara )

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2004, before me a Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared Theodore R. Lundquist who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the same instrument as a free and voluntary act for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

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Marie E. Headley  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 7-2-06



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**ACCEPTANCE OF ASSIGNMENT**

The Assignee hereby acknowledges and accepts the foregoing assignment of rights by Assignor.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignee, by its undersigned officer, confirms its acceptance on the date and in the place set forth below.

CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION

Date: September 30, 2004

By: [Signature]  
Name: Byron Milstead  
Title: Vice President, General Counsel

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF Santa Clara )

On this 30 day of September, 2004, before me a Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared Byron Milstead, the above-mentioned representative of the Assignee, Credence Systems Corporation, who executed the foregoing patent Assignment, and represented and acknowledged that he/she had the requisite corporate authority to execute and accept this patent Assignment and the same was executed as a free act and deed.

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[Signature]  
Notary Public

My commission expires: July 17, 2007

