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a corporation of Ohio, having its principal place of business at **325 Paramount Drive, Raynham, MA 02767-0350**, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said

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WITNESS my hand and seal this 16th day of March, 2004.

By: Jonathan Fanger  
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State of: Massachusetts

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Then personally appeared the above named Jonathan Fanger and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed, before me, this 16 day of March 2004.

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