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PORTION OF A LUMINOUS HOUSING FOR A LIGHTING FIXTURE

as described and/or claimed in our application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, Serial No. 29/194,683, filed November 26, 2003, and as described and/or claimed in any and all applications for Letters Patent based thereon including divisions, continuations and reissues thereof as well as all foreign counterparts thereof together with all Letters Patent issuing on any of the aforesaid applications for Letters Patent, the same to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full ends of the terms of all said Letters Patent therefor which may be granted.

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AND WE HEREBY COVENANT AND AGREE that we will execute or procure any further necessary assurance of title to said invention and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor and that we will, at anytime, upon the request and at the expense of ASSIGNEE deliver any testimony in any legal proceedings and execute all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said invention or any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in

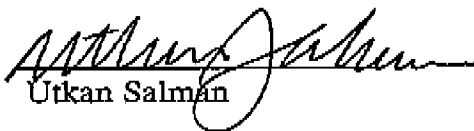
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Signed at Berkley, this 13 day of February, 2004.



Douglas J. Herst



Utkan Salman