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THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by me, Steven B. Schroeder, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1427 Montana Street, Derby, KS 67037,

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, I am the sole inventor of certain new and useful improvements in POSITIONING SYSTEM, DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR IN-FLIGHT REFUELING for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed by me concurrently herewith, and

WHEREAS, The Boeing Company, a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 100 N. Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60606-1596, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

I hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

I further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, I possess full title to the invention and application above-mentioned, and that I have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal below.

5/28/04

Date

Steven Bernard Schroeder

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