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2. United States Patent No. 6,436,625 dated August 20, 2002 for "A photosensitive silver halide element with increased photosensitivity" ;
3. United States Patent No. 6,344,311 dated February 5, 2002 for "A photosensitive silver halide element with increased photosensitivity" ;
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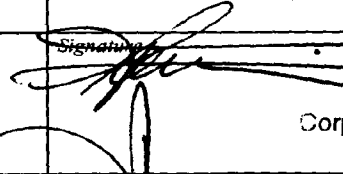
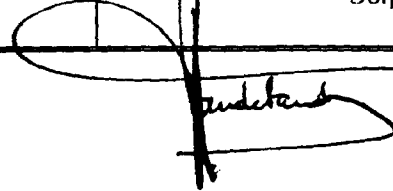
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