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**PATENT ASSIGNMENT**

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WHEREAS, ASSIGNOR(S) (listed above) are inventor(s) of an invention entitled "Automatic Categorization of Query Results," as described and claimed in the specification forming part of an application for United States letters patent referenced above;

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and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

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