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a) Marc Spitzer

2. Name and address of receiving party:

a) Name: Adaptec Inc.

b) Address: 691 S. Milpitas Blvd., Milpitas, CA. 95035

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Execution Dates: a) June 13, 2005

4. Application Number: Not yet assigned

The title of the new application is: **APPARATUS FOR REAL-TIME ARBITRATION BETWEEN MASTERS AND REQUESTORS AND METHOD FOR OPERATING THE SAME**

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

(Accompanying Application)

Whereas we the undersigned inventors have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

APPARATUS FOR REAL-TIME ARBITRATION BETWEEN MASTERS AND REQUESTORS AND METHOD FOR OPERATING THE SAME

(Atty. Docket No. ADAPP285/SSG-177/A) for which we have executed an application for a United States Letters Patent.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we the undersigned inventors hereby:

- 1) Sell, assign and transfer to Adaptec, Inc., a Delaware corporation having a place of business at 691 S. Milpitas Boulevard, Milpitas, CA 95035, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, application(s) based upon, and Patent(s) (including foreign patents) granted upon the information which is disclosed in the above referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division(s), continuation(s), substitutes(s) or reissue(s) thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative and applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor(s), as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that we have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.

Signed on the dates indicated beside our signatures.

1) Signature: Marc Spitzer Date: 6/13/2005
Typed Name: Marc Spitzer

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