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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION AND PATENT APPLICATION

We, Michael Weisser, Paige Higby, Richard Strack, Kevin Tabor, James Triba and Gary DiGregorio, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned, agree to assign, and hereby do assign, transfer and set over to Schott Corporation, a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, whose address is 555 Taxter Road, Elmsford, NY 10523, (hereinafter designated as the Assignee), the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention known by title in the previously filed non-provisional patent application as **ION-REDUCTION-BLACKENED EXTRA-MURAL ABSORBING MEDIA ADAPTED FOR INCLUSION IN IMAGE-CONDUCTING OPTICAL FIBER ARRAYS AND METHODS OF FABRICATING THE SAME**. The non-provisional patent application referred to above was filed on November 24, 2004, was assigned **Serial No. 10/997,692** by the USPTO and claimed priority benefits in **Provisional Application No. 60/525,063**, filed November 25, 2003 and entitled **FIBER OPTIC FACEPLATES AND OTHER OPTICAL FIBER IMAGE-CONDUCTING ARRAYS AND METHODS OF FABRICATING THAT OPTICALLY ISOLATE INDIVIDUAL FIBERS THEREIN TO FACILITATE IMAGE CONTRAST**.

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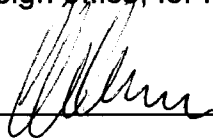
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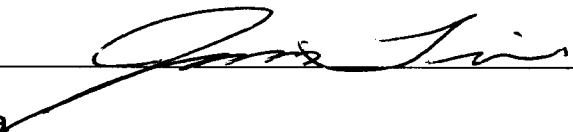
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