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have made certain inventions and discoveries in a **MEASURING SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE FUNCTIONAL MONITORING THEREOF**, the specification of which was filed as PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/EP03/09796 on September 4, 2003; and

WHEREAS **DR. JOHANNES HEIDENHAIN GMBH**, having a place of business at **Dr.-Johannes-Heidenhain-Strasse 5, 83301 Traunreut, Federal Republic of Germany**, and who, together with its successors and assigns, is hereinafter called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits, and privileges hereinafter recited,

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