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WHEREAS, Hitachi, Ltd., whose post office address is 6-6, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8280, Japan, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, have invented certain new and useful improvements in inventions for which applications for United States Letters Patent, as listed in Schedule A attached hereto, were filed.

WHEREAS, Hitachi Global Storage Technologies Japan, Ltd., whose post office address is 2880 Kozu, Odawara-shi, Kanagawa-ken 256-8510, Japan (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same in the United States and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, ASSIGNOR, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer until said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and applications as listed in Schedule A throughout the United States of America, including any and all United States Letters Patent granted on any division, continuation, continuation-in-part and reissue of said applications; and the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions throughout the world, including the right to apply for patents and inventor certificates in respect thereof and to claim priority pursuant to rights accorded ASSIGNOR under the terms of the Paris International Convention and all other available international conventions and treaties; and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents, patents of addition, utility models, patents of importation, revalidation patents and inventor certificates which may be granted throughout the world in respect of said inventions.

ALSO, ASSIGNOR here by agrees to execute any documents that legally may be required in connection with the filing, prosecution and maintenance of said applications or any other patent applications(s) or inventor certificate(s) in the United States and in foreign countries for said inventions, including additional documents that may be required to affirm the rights of ASSIGNEE in and to said inventions, all without further consideration. ASSIGNOR also agrees, without further consideration and at ASSIGNEE'S expense, to identify and communicate to ASSIGNEE at ASSIGNEE'S request documents and information concerning the inventions that are within ASSIGNOR'S possession or control, and to provide further assurances and testimony on behalf of ASSIGNEE that lawfully may be required of ASSIGNOR in respect of the prosecution, maintenance and defense of any patent applications or patent encompassed within the terms of this instrument. ASSIGNOR'S obligations under this instrument shall extend to ASSIGNOR'S heirs, executors, administrators and other legal representatives.

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