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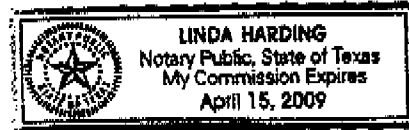
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(Signature) *Sunder Ramachandran* Date 3/2/2006
Name: **Sunder Ramachandran**

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 2 day of March, 2006 personally appeared **Sunder Ramachandran**, the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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(Signature) Jiang Yang
Name: **Jiang Yang**

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