PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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Street Address:	175B Cremona Drive	
City:	Goleta	
State/Country:	CALIFORNIA	
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PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1

Property Type	Number
Application Number:	11352644

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Assignment

WHEREAS, We, the undersigned inventors, have made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) as set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, entitled Variable Direction of View Instrument With On-Board Actuators (File No. 04413-P0020B WWW/DWA), bearing Serial No. 11/352,644, filed February 13, 2006;

WHEREAS, Karl Storz Development Corp., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and having an office and place of business at 175B Cremona Drive; Goleta, CA 93117, and, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee", and is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits and privileges hereinafter recited;

NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to us, receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, we hereby, without reservation:

- 1. Assign, transfer and convey to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in any and all countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation and convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said applications, and any and all Letters Patent, reissues and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications and said Letters Patent;
- 2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries on any or all of said inventions and discoveries in our names or in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem advisable, under the International Convention or otherwise;
- 3. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other governments to issue or transfer all said Letters Patents to Assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct;
- 4. Warrant that we have not knowingly conveyed to others any right in said inventions, discoveries, applications or patents or any license to use the same or to make, use or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries; and that we have good right to assign the same to Assignee without encumbrance;
- 5. Bind our heirs, legal representatives and assigns, as well as ourselves, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration to us or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that said inventions and discoveries, said patent applications and said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by us, our heirs, legal representatives and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents, including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affida-

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vits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in our control or in the control of our heirs, legal representatives or assigns, which may be useful for establishing the facts of our conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, Nathan Jon Schara, Hans David Hoeg, and Eric L. Hale, have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals.

4/6/06 33 South Craig #3 Pasadena, CA 91107-4068 STATE OF CACIFORNIA : SS. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES On this APR 6^{+h} , 2006, before me personally came Nathan Jon Schara, to me known and known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and duly acknowledged to me that this document was executed as a free act and deed. CHARLES E. ANKNER Commission # 1508614 Notary Public Notary Public - California Santa Barbara County My Comm. Expires Sep 16, 2008 Date Hans David Hoed 19 La Porte Street, Suite #102 Arcadia, CA 91006-2672 CALIFORNIA STATE OF : ss. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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CHARLES E. ANKNER
Commission # 1508614
Notary Public - California

Santa Barbara County

My Comm. Expires Sep 16, 2008

Notary Public

Hoeg, to me known and known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and duly acknowledged to me that this document

_____, 2006, before me personally came Hans David

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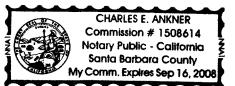
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