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### ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Dwight W. Miller, residing at 2901 Dan Road, Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71602, Jon G. Wilkes, residing at 107 Fountain Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205, and Eric D. Conte, residing at 1080 St. Andrews Circle, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42103, employees of the Department of Health and Human Services, have invented FOOD QUALITY INDICATOR DEVICE for which an application for Letters Patent was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as application Serial No. 10/005,004, filed December 4, 2001; and

WHEREAS, we are applicants named in the above-mentioned application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, the conditions under which said invention was made are such as to entitle the Government under Paragraph 1(a) of Executive Order 10096 to our entire right, title and interest herein, both domestic and foreign; and

AND WHEREAS, Government of the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services is desirous of acquiring our domestic and foreign right, title and interest in the above-mentioned invention describe in the application for Letters Patent; and

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby assign and transfer to the Government of United States of America, represented by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, our full and exclusive rights in and to said invention in the U.S. and within each and every foreign country in which the Government elects to file and the entire right, title, and interest in and to such applications, and any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, reissues or extensions thereof, and including priority rights as may be filed in the U.S. and foreign countries, and such Letters Patent as may be granted to be held by the Government to the end of the term for which the same would have been held by the inventors had this assignment not been made.

We further agree to make, execute, and deliver to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, upon request, any and all papers, documents, affidavits, or other instruments that may be necessary in the prosecution of any application or applications for improvements or reissues of

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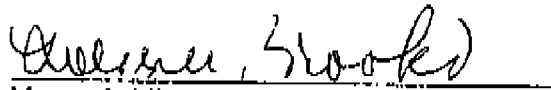
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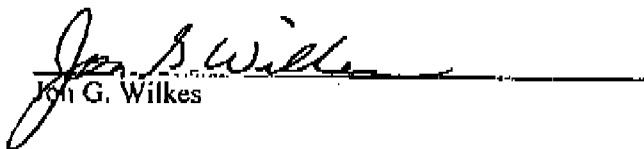
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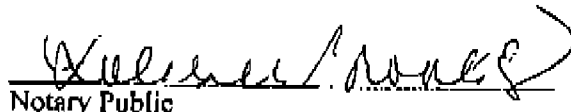
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