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For other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set hand and seal as of this date(s) listed below.

Harald Portig

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Date

Larry Steven Foster

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Date

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United States of America

and place of signing of assignment

Lexington, KY

Before me the date(s) indicated above, personally appeared the above named individuals, to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same of their own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

Paula D. Kiser

Notary Public

Jan. 22, 2006

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