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WHEREAS, I, Richard P. Luciano, hereby assign to Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. ("Company"), its successors and assigns my entire right, title and interests in *FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT PROVIDING RETURNS AS CASH AND ACCRETION*, of which I am a named inventor, as described in the application for United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/434,040, filed on May 8, 2003 ("Invention"), and any and all applications for patent and patents therefor in any and all countries, including all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said patent applications, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said Invention or resulting therefrom to said Company, or its successors or assigns.

Date: 4/7/06
(Signature) Richard P. LucianoSigned before me this 7 day of APRIL, 2006.
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