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inal documents or copy thereof. 103284226 2. Name and address of receiving party: Names of conveying parties: Name: Interuniversitair Microelektronica a. Jan Van Olmen b. Marleen Van Hove Centrum c. Herbert Struvf Street Address: 75 Kapeldreef d. Dirk Hendrickx City: Leuven Country: Belgium e. Serge Vanhaelemeersch **ZIP**: 3001 f. Werner Boullart Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) Additional name(s) of receiving party(ies) attached? attached? (X) Nο () Yes () Yes (X) No 3. Nature of conveyance: (X) Assignment () Security Agreement () Merger Change of Name () () Other: 4. US or PCT Application number(s) or US Patent Execution Date: (List as in section 1 if multiple number(s): signatures) (X) Patent Application No.: 11/400,852 Filing Date: April 10, 2006 a. June 27, 2006 b. July 4, 2006 Additional numbers attached? c. July 17, 2006 () Yes (X) No d. July 17, 2006 e. July 19, 2006 f. June 28, 2006 Party to whom correspondence concerning Total number of applications and patents document should be mailed: involved: 1 Customer No. 20,995 Address: Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP 2040 Main Street, 14th Floor Irvine, CA 92614 Return Fax: (949) 760-9502 Attorney's Docket No.: IMEC375.001AUS 7. Total fee (37 CFR 1.21(h)): \$40 8. Deposit account number: 11-1410 (X) Authorized to be charged to deposit account Please charge this account for any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to this account. 9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct, and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Rose M. Thiessen Name of Person Signing Signature 40,202 Registration No.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Jan Van Olmen, a Belgian citizen, residing at Valkenberg 36, 3370 Boutersem, Belgium; Marleen Van Hove, a Belgian citizen, residing at Bovenbosstraat 19, 3052 Blanden, Belgium; Herbert Struyf, a Belgian citizen, residing at Edegemsesteenweg 75, 2550 Kontich, Belgium; Dirk Hendrickx, a Belgian citizen, residing at Vijverstraat 27, 3040 Sint-Agatha Rode, Belgium; Serge Vanhaelemeersch, a Belgian citizen, residing at Vijfbunderstraat 9, 3001 Leuven, Belgium; and Werner Boullart, a Belgian citizen, residing at Middelweg 26, 3001 Leuven, Belgium, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a DUAL DAMASCENE PATTERNING METHOD for which we have filed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, filed on April 10, 2006;

AND WHEREAS, Interuniversitair Microelektronica Centrum (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), with its principal place of business at 75 Kapeldreef, 3001 Leuven, Belgium, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE DO HEREBY sell, assign, transfer, and convey to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns all claims for damages and all remedies arising out of any violation of the rights assigned hereby that may have accrued prior to the date of assignment to ASSIGNEE, or may accrue hereafter, including, but not limited to, the right to sue for, collect, and retain damages for past infringements of the said Letters Patent before or after issuance.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

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