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**ASSIGNMENT BY INVENTORS**

We, Nathan Cauldwell residing at 108 Holcott Drive, Attleboro, Massachusetts 02703; Gregory R. Whittaker, residing at 21 Rustic Road, Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180; Gary McAlister, residing at 35 Stanwood Drive, Franklin, Massachusetts 02038-2658; Jose E. Lizardi, residing at 3 Kayla Drive, Franklin, Massachusetts 02038, Jason Hamilton, residing at 20 Delta Avenue, Dartmouth, Massachusetts 02747; and Frank Capuano, residing at 17 Country Club Drive, Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180, in consideration of One Dollar and other valuable consideration paid to us by

**DEPUY MITEK, INC.**

a corporation of Massachusetts, having its principal place of business at 325 Paramount Drive, Raynham, Massachusetts 02767-0350, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said

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its successors and assigns, the entire interest for the United States of America and all foreign countries including all rights of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property in a certain invention or improvement in

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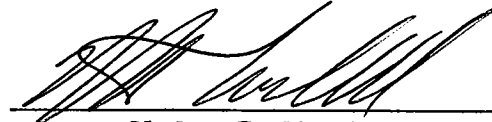
described in U.S. patent application number 11/555,568, filed on **November 1, 2006** in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and in all Letters Patent of the United States and all foreign countries which may or shall be granted on said invention, or any parts thereof, or on said application, or any divisional, continuing, reissue or other applications based in whole or in part thereon. And we agree, for ourselves and our executors and administrators, with said corporation and its successors and assigns but at its or their expense and charges, hereafter to execute all applications, amended specifications, deed or other instrument, and to do all acts necessary or proper to secure the grant of Letters Patent in the United States and in all other countries to said corporation, with specifications and claims in such form as shall be approved by the counsel of said corporation and to vest and confirm in said corporation, its successors and assigns, the legal title to all such patents.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue such Letters Patent as shall be granted upon said application or applications based thereon to said corporation, its successors and assigns.

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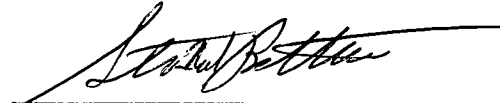
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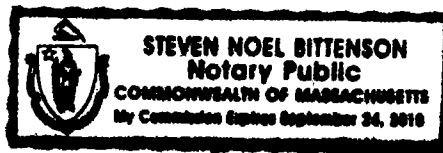
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Nathan Caldwell

STATE OF MA )  
COUNTY OF Bristol ) ss:  
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BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Nathan Caldwell**, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

  
Notary Public





IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Nov., 2006.

(L.S.)

*Gary McAlister*  
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STATE OF MA )  
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BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Gary McAlister**, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

*Steven Noel Bitensson*  
Notary Public

