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3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment Execution Date: December 15, 2006, December 19, 2006, December 14, 2006, December 19, 2006	
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Brian A. Lemm

December 27, 2006

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Bertrand Haas, Douglas B. Quine, Clare E. Woodman and Valentino Guyett have invented certain new and useful improvements in a **VOTE BY MAIL ENVELOPE THAT PROTECTS PRIVACY OF VOTER'S SIGNATURE** identified as File Number **G-286** in the Intellectual Property and Technology Law Department files of the hereinafter-mentioned assignee, said Bertrand Haas has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006; and said Douglas B. Quine has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006; and said Clare E. Woodman has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006; and said Valentino Guyett has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006;

AND WHEREAS, we acknowledge that at the time of the invention, we were under an obligation to convey the entire rights in the invention to the hereinafter-mentioned assignee;

AND WHEREAS, Pitney Bowes Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its place of business at 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut, U.S.A., is desirous of acquiring certain rights thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, for one dollar and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, we have agreed to and hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said corporation the entire right, title and interest, in and throughout the United States of America (including its territories and dependencies) and all countries foreign thereto, in and to said invention, said application and any and all patents (including extensions thereof, and all the rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property including the right to claim for any foreign patent application the priority date of the corresponding U.S. patent application) of any country, which have been or may be granted on said invention or any part thereof, or on said application or any divisional, continuing, renewal, substitute, reissue or other patent application based in whole or in part thereon, or based upon said invention;

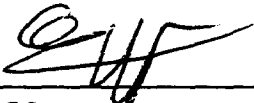
TO BE HELD AND ENJOYED by said corporation, its successors and assigns, to the full ends of the respective terms of which said patents or any of them have been or may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had no sale and assignment of said interest been made;

AND we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America to issue any and all United States patents which may be granted upon said United States application or any of them, or upon said invention or any part thereof, to said corporation;

AND we hereby agree for ourselves and for our heirs, executors and administrators, to execute without further consideration any further lawful documents and any further assurances, and any divisional, continuing, renewal, substitute, reissue, or other applications for patents of any country, that may be deemed necessary by said corporation fully to secure to said corporation, its interest as aforesaid in and to said invention or any part thereof, and in and to said several patents or any of them;

AND we do hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives and agree with said corporation, its successors and assigns, that we have granted no right or license to make, use or sell said invention to anyone except said corporation, that, prior to the execution of this deed, our right, title and interest in said invention had not been otherwise encumbered, and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict herewith.

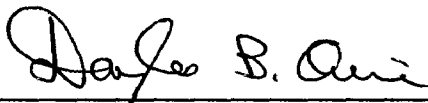
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals:



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Bertrand Haas

12/15/2006


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Date



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Douglas B. Quine

Dec 19. 2006

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Date



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Clare E. Woodman

12/14/2006

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County of Fairfield )

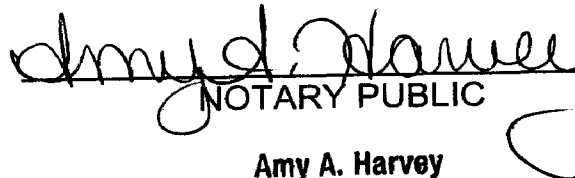
On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Bertrand Haas to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

  
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**Amy A. Harvey**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
My Commission Expires October 31, 2010

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County of Fairfield )

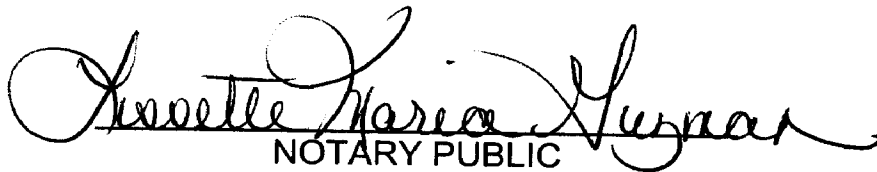
On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Douglas B. Quine to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

  
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**Amy A. Harvey**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
My Commission Expires October 31, 2010

State of Connecticut )  
                                  ) ss.  
County of Fairfield )

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Clare E. Woodman to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

  
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**Lissette Maria Guzman**  
**Notary Public**  
My Commission Expires 09/30/2011

State of Connecticut  
County of Fairfield ) ss. \_\_\_\_\_

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Valentino Guyett to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

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AND we do hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives and agree with said corporation, its successors and assigns, that we have granted no right or license to make, use or sell said invention to anyone except said corporation, that, prior to the execution of this deed, our right, title and interest in said invention had not been otherwise encumbered, and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict herewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals:

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Bertrand Haas

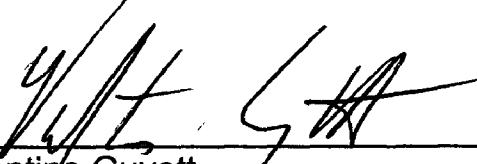
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Valentino Guyett

12/19/2006  
Date

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

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  ) ss. Shelton  
County of Fairfield    )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Bertrand Haas to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

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State of Connecticut )  
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County of Fairfield    )

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State of Connecticut )  
  ) ss.  
County of Fairfield )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Clare E. Woodman to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

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State of WA )  
  ) ss. \_\_\_\_\_  
County of Hurston )

On this 19 day of Dec., 2006, personally appeared before me the above-named Valentino Guyett to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

Cheryle A. Sholey  
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