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## ASSIGNMENT

**WHEREAS**, Keith Peter Watts, residing at Rolling Hills Estates, California; (hereinafter "Assignor") have invented certain new and useful inventions and improvements (hereinafter "Invention") described in the United States patent application entitled **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DEPLOYING PAYLOADS WITH A LAUNCH VEHICLE** for which Assignor is making or has made application for **LETTERS PATENT OF THE UNITED STATES**, which application has been duly executed by Assignor concurrently herewith;

**WHEREAS**, the Boeing Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, USA, having a place of business at 100 N. Riverside, Chicago, Illinois 60606-1596, with a mailing address of M/C 1640-2101, 15460 Laguna Canyon Road, Irvine, California 92618, USA (hereinafter called "the Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention within the United States of America and its territorial possessions and all foreign countries, and in and to any United States or foreign **LETTERS PATENT** that may be granted therefore;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has assigned, sold and transferred, and does assign, sell and transfer to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention within the United States of America and its territorial possessions and all foreign countries, and in and to any **LETTERS PATENT** of the United States and foreign countries, including utility models, inventor's certificates and like government grants that may be granted for any and all portions thereof, and in and to the patent application identified above and divisional, reissue, continuation, continuation-in-part applications and extensions of any of the applications for patent or **LETTERS PATENT** identified herein, including all applications claiming the priority of said applications for patent or **LETTERS PATENT** identified herein, and the right to apply for **LETTERS PATENT** in foreign countries with full benefit of such priorities as may now or hereafter be granted to Assignor by local laws or by treaty, including any international convention, for the protection of the United States **LETTERS PATENT** to the various territorial possessions now owned or which may be hereafter acquired by the United States of America. Assignee will hold all rights for its own use and benefit and for the use and benefit of its successors or assigns to the full end of the term for which the **LETTERS PATENT** may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this assignment and sale had not been made. Assignor requests and authorizes the Commissioner of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and foreign counterpart officials of foreign patent offices, to issue respective **LETTERS PATENT** in the United States and foreign countries when granted, in accordance with this assignment.

Assignor further covenants and agrees with the Assignee that Assignor has a full and unencumbered title to the Invention, which title Assignor warrants to the Assignee. Assignor further agrees that Assignor will, without demanding any further consideration therefore, at the request and expense of the Assignee, do all lawful and just acts, including the execution and acknowledgement of instruments, that may be or become necessary for obtaining, sustaining, extending, reissuing or reexamining United States and foreign **LETTERS**

PATENT or the like for the Invention, and for maintaining and perfecting the Assignee's right to the Invention and LETTERS PATENT particularly in cases of interference conflict, opposition and litigation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed this Assignment on the date specified below.

*Keith Peter Watts*  
Keith Peter Watts

3/6/08  
Date