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	First Named Inventor: RICE, Alexander J.	
	Title: INTEGRATEAD LEAD SUSPENSION WITH MULTIPLE TRACE CONFIGURATIONS	

WHEREAS, we, **Alexander J. Rice**, a United States citizen, residing at 1391 Heritage Avenue Northwest, Hutchinson, MN 55350, **Gregory J. VanHecke**, a United States citizen, residing at 203 Highview Drive, Dassel, MN 55325, and **Reed T. Hentges**, a United States citizen, residing at 1302 Leo Lane, Buffalo, MN 55313, have invented certain new and useful improvements as described in an application entitled **INTEGRATEAD LEAD SUSPENSION WITH MULTIPLE TRACE CONFIGURATIONS**, in which an application was made for Letters Patent of the United States, the application having been executed on even date herewith, and/or being identified in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 12099523, filed 4/8/2008; and

WHEREAS, Hutchinson Technology Incorporated, Corporation of the State of Minnesota, and having an address of 40 West Highland Park Drive N.E., Hutchinson, MN 55350-9784 United States, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, we transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention, the above-identified patent application, corresponding domestic applications (including provisionals, divisionals, continuations, and continuations-in-part), corresponding foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention; and we authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States or foreign equivalent thereof to issue the Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

We authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to insert in this instrument the filing date and application number of the application when ascertained. We authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent or similar legal protection, in its own name if desired, in any and all foreign countries.

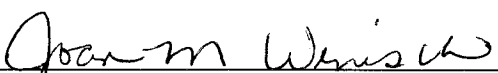
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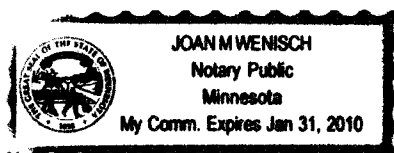
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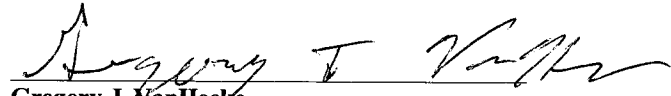
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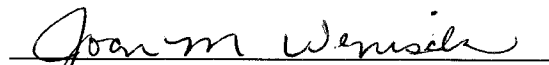
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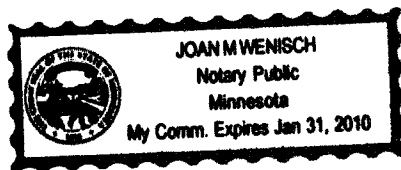
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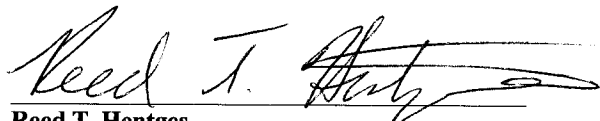
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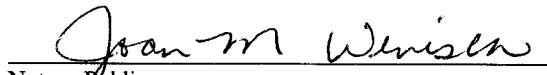



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