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WHEREAS I, the below named inventor, [hereinafter referred to as Assignor], have made an invention entitled:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING SECURED ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS

for which I filed International Application No. PCT/US02/25075 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on August 7, 2002, and filed a continuation application (U.S. Appl. No. 12/289,060) for United States Letters Patent on October 20, 2008; and

WHEREAS, **The United States Postal Service**, an independent establishment of the government of the United States of America, whose post office address is **475 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20260-1135** (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention in all countries throughout the world, and in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from Assignee is hereby acknowledged, and for the sum of \$1,000 to be paid, I, as Assignor, have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the Assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, my entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention, provisional Application No. **60/310,233**, filed **August 7, 2001**, PCT International Application No. **PCT/US02/25075** filed on **August 7, 2002**, and this application, and all previous continuation applications, and all future divisions and continuations of this application, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of the above applications, as well as all rights to claim priority on the basis of this application, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for this invention in any foreign country and all Letters Patent which may be granted on this invention in any foreign country, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any official of any foreign country whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as described above, to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to Assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

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AND, I HEREBY further covenant and agree that I will, without further consideration, communicate with Assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to me respecting this invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said Assignee, its successors or assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States and any foreign country, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Jan, 2009
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