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hereby sell and assign to GE Wind Energy GmbH, a Salzbergen Corporation (in Germany), having an address at Holsterfeld 16, 48499 Salzbergen, Germany, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), its successors and assigns my (our) entire respective right(s), title(s) and interest(s) in and to the invention and improvements invented and originated by me/us and described in the application for United States Patent currently entitled

**SYSTEM AND METHOD TO FACILITATE MAINTENANCE ON A WIND
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