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For: ☒ U.S. Application or ☐ U.S. Patent
By : ☒ Inventor or ☐ Present Owner

ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

ASSIGNORS: **Nicholas Maiorino**
Ahmad Robert Hadba
Gerald Hodgkinson

(If assignment is by person or entity to whom invention was previously assigned and this was recorded in PTO add the following)

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hereby sells, assigns and transfers to

ASSIGNEE:

Tyco Healthcare Group LP
60 Middletown Avenue
North Haven, CT 06473
US

and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE

☒ the entire right, title and interest

☐ an undivided _____ percent (_____%) interest for the United States and its territorial possessions

☒ and in all foreign countries, including all rights to claim priority, the right to sue for present, past and future infringement, in the United States, its territorial possessions, and in all foreign countries, including all treaty and convention rights in and to the invention and any and all improvements entitled:

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and which is found in

- (a) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on even date herewith.
- (b) ☐ U.S. patent application executed on _____.
- (c) ☒ U.S. application Serial No. 12/729,846 filed on March 23, 2010 and
☒ U.S. application Serial No. 12/571,806 filed on October 1, 2009.
- (d) ☒ U.S. provisional application No. 61/104,085 filed on October 9, 2008.
- (e) ☐ U.S. Patent No. _____ issued _____.
- (f) ☐ PCT application No. _____ filed on _____
☐ A change of address to which correspondence is to be sent regarding patent maintenance fees is being sent separately.
- (g) ☒ and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to letters patent any reissue or re-examination thereof.

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment;

ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE:

ASSIGNORS further covenant to promptly provide all pertinent facts and documents known and accessible to ASSIGNORS relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents; to testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding related thereto; to execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said invention or any Letters Patents which may be granted therefore in said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives; to execute any additional or divisional applications for patents for said invention, or any part or parts thereof, and for the reissue of any Letters Patents to be granted therefore; and to make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for procuring the same or for aiding therein, all without further compensation, but at the sole expense of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives.

ASSIGNORS hereby grant ASSIGNEE and Assignee's attorneys the power to insert the Serial No. and/or filing date of the above-described application(s) after such information becomes known to them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/We have hereunto set hand and seal.

WARNING: Date of signing must be the **same as** the date of execution of the application if item (a) was checked above.


Nicholas Maiorino

4-26-10
(Dated)

State of Connecticut)
) ss
County of New Haven)

Before me this 26 day of April 2009,

personally appeared **Nicholas Maiorino** to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.


Notary Public

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Erika T. Edwards
Notary Public
State of Connecticut
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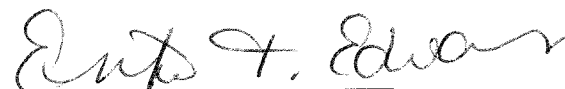

Ahmad Robert Hadba

4-7-10
(Dated)

State of Connecticut)
County of New Haven) ss

Before me this 7 day of April 2010,

personally appeared **Ahmad Robert Hadba** to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.



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November 30, ~~2013~~ 2014


Gerald Hodgkinson

4/9/10
(Dated)

State of Connecticut)
County of New Haven) ss

Before me this 9 day of April 2010,

personally appeared **Gerald Hodgkinson** to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.



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