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PATENT APPLICATIONS ASSIGNMENT

This PATENT APPLICATIONS ASSIGNMENT (this "*Assignment*"), dated October 21, 2002, is entered into by ePIT Systems (formally known as ePIT, Inc.), a California corporation ("*Assignor*"), as assignor, in favor of Hitachi, Ltd., a Japanese corporation ("*Assignee*"), as assignee.

WHEREAS, Assignee was chosen as the winning bidder in a sealed bid auction conducted by Assignor pursuant to Assignor's Notice of Sealed Bid Auction ("*Notice*"), and pursuant to which Assignor has agreed to sell and assign, and Assignee has agreed to buy and acquire certain patent applications from Assignor;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Notice, Assignor desires to assign and transfer to Assignee all of Assignor's right, title, and interest in and to certain patent applications as listed below;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby, sells, assigns, transfers and conveys to Assignee, for itself and its successors, transferees, and assignees, the following:

1. The entire worldwide right, title, and interest in all inventions and improvements ("*Subject Matter*") that are disclosed in the following applications ("*Patent Rights*"):

Country/ Origin	Patent Application Serial No.	Title	Filing Date
U.S.A.	09/289,550	User Interface For Electronic Trading System	April 7, 2000
U.S.A.	09/651,301	User Interface For Semi-Fungible Trading	August 30, 2000
Europe	00920223.5	User Interface For Electronic Trading System	April 7, 2000
Japan	2000-611188	User Interface For Electronic Trading System	April 7, 2000

2. The entire worldwide right, title, and interest in and to (a) the Patent Rights, including any right of priority; (b) any provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, substitute, renewal, reissue, and other related applications thereto which have been or may be filed in the United States or elsewhere in the world; (c) any patents which may be granted on the applications set forth in (a) and (b) above; and (d) the right to sue in its own name and to recover for provisional rights and past, present and/or future infringement of any or all of any applications or patents issuing therefrom.

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Assignor hereby appoints Assignee as its attorney-in-fact with respect to the Subject Matter and Patent Rights that are the subject of this Assignment to act in Assignor's name, place and stead to execute, deliver and record any document or instrument of assignment required in any country in which such documents may be required to transfer, grant or confirm the rights transferred, granted and confirmed herein.

This Assignment is given pursuant to the provisions of the Notice, including but not limited to "Exhibit B" to the Notice, and is made subject to the terms and provisions of the Notice and all exhibits to the Notice.

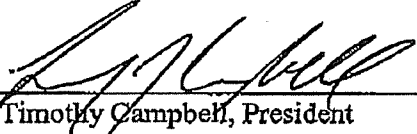
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This Assignment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one original instrument.

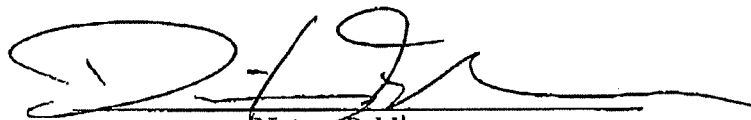
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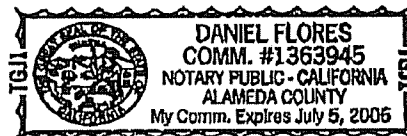
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On this 21 day of OCT, 2002, before me personally appeared Timothy Campbell ~~he~~ personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her authorized capacity and that by her signature on the instrument, the person, or entity on behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.


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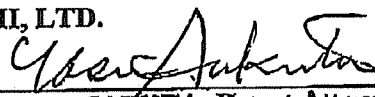
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