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and Related Anode Components

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby agreed, each of the undersigned hereby assigns to Northwestern University, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation, having a place of business at 633 Clark Street, Evanston, Illinois 60208 and its successors and assigns ("Assignee") the entire right, title and interest in and to the inventions of such undersigned disclosed in the application listed above, and in any and all other applications anywhere in the world which the undersigned may file and/or be named as an inventor of, solely or jointly, on said inventions, in any and all patents which may be obtained on any of said applications and in any and all reissues, reexaminations, supplemental examinations, inter partes reviews, oppositions, post-grant reviews, supplementary protection certificates and/or extensions thereof, including without limitation, the right to bring suit and to claim and retain all damages and/or seek other remedies for the past, present and future infringement of any of the foregoing, the right of priority, including without limitation to claim priority benefit of or to said patent applications, and request the Commissioner for Patents in the United States and similar authorities outside the United States to issue said patents to and in the name of the Assignee.

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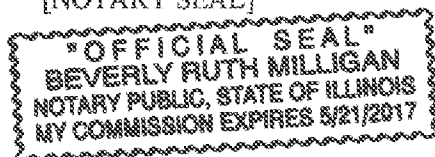
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On this 27th day of January, 2016, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared, to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he or she executed said instrument as his or her free and voluntary act and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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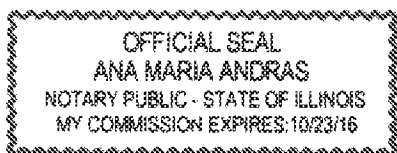
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