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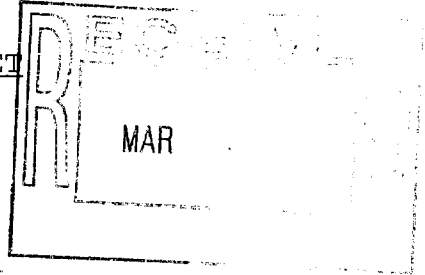
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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

Please record the attached original document or copy thereof.

- 1. Name of conveying party: Modulation Instruments, Inc.
- 2. Name and address of receiving party:

CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION  
215 Fourier Avenue  
Fremont, California 94539

3. The conveyance is an ASSIGNMENT and was executed on March 2, 2001.

4. Properties affected: U.S. Trademark Application No. 75/877,849 filed December 22, 1999 for MVNA

5. Correspondence regarding the document should be mailed to the address at the bottom of this cover sheet.

6. Total number of properties affected: 1

7. A check including the amount of \$40.00 for the fee under 37 CFR 3.41 is enclosed.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Respectfully submitted,

Penelope Stockwell  
Penelope Stockwell, Admin. Asst.

March 5, 2001  
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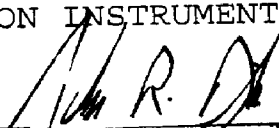
This trademark assignment is made by Modulation Instruments, Inc., a Colorado corporation of Colorado Springs, Colorado ("ASSIGNOR") in favor of CREDENCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation of 215 Fourier Avenue, Fremont, California 94539 ("ASSIGNEE").

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby conveys, assigns, and transfers to ASSIGNEE its entire right, title and interest in and to the mark "MVNA" and its associated application, U.S. Trademark Application No. 75/877,849, filed December 22, 1999, together with the goodwill of the business connected with the use of, and symbolized by, said mark, and including any pre-existing causes of action it has against any infringers of its rights in the "MVNA" mark and registration.

ASSIGNOR agrees to sign any reasonable and accurate documents which are beneficial to ASSIGNEE to file, renew and maintain the existence of trademark registrations covering the "MVNA" mark.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has caused this Trademark Assignment to be executed by its duly authorized officer.

MODULATION INSTRUMENTS, INC.

By:   
Name: JOHN R DETWILER  
Title: SVP FINANCE & CFO  
Date: 2 MARCH 2001