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Invention Questionnaire

I. Descriptive

1. Title of invention _____

2. Brief description. Is the invention a new process, composition of matter, a device or one or more products? A new use for, or an improvement to, an existing product or process? _____

Use page 4 and additional sheets to elaborate, or attach descriptive materials.

3. From the description, pick out and expand on novel and unusual features. How does the invention differ from present technology? What problems does it solve, or what advantages does it possess? _____

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4. If not indicated previously, what are possible uses for the invention? In addition to immediate applications, are there other uses that might be realized in the future?

5. Does the invention possess disadvantages or limitations? Can they be overcome? How?

6. Enclose sketches, drawings, photographs and other materials that help illustrate the description. (Rough artwork, flow sheets, Polaroid photographs and penciled graphs are satisfactory as long as they tell a clear and understandable story.)

II. Other Pertinent Data

1. Are there publications—theses, reports, preprints, reprints, etc.—pertaining to the invention? Please list with publication dates, and attach copies insofar as possible. Include manuscripts for publication (submitted or not), news releases, feature articles and items from internal publications.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

2. Are laboratory records and data available? Give reference numbers and physical location, but do not enclose.

3. Are related patents or other publications known to the inventor? Please list.

4. Date, place, and circumstances of first public disclosure.

5. Was the work that led to the invention sponsored? If yes, attach copy of contract or agreement if possible, and fill in the appropriate blanks below.

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- b. Name of industrial company _____
- c. Name of university sponsor _____
- d. Other sponsor(s) _____

6. Any commercial interest shown at this stage? Name companies and specific persons if possible.

a. Do you know of other qualified firms? Please list.

7. Name(s) and title(s) of inventor(s)

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

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8. Mailing address for inventor(s)

(department and institution)

(street and number)

(city and state)

(zip code)

9. Signature(s) of inventor(s) and date

- a. _____ (date) _____
- b. _____ (date) _____
- c. _____ (date) _____

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