



**DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)-SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I, H. Paul Shuch, Ph.D., hereby declare that I am owner and Chief Engineer of the small business concern referenced above and that I am empowered to act on its behalf; and I am authorized to execute this application on behalf of the corporation identified as Microcomm Consulting, a Sole Proprietorship of Pennsylvania, having a principal place of business at 121 Florence Drive, Cogan Station PA 17728.

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that the rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention entitled: _____ by inventor H. Paul Shuch.

The rights held by the above identified small business concern are exclusive; and no rights to the invention are held by any person, who could not be classified as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).



Each person, concern or organization to which Microcomm Consulting has assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or is under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant convey, or license any rights in the invention is as follows: NONE.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to a small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28 (b));

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Microcomm Consulting

Signature: _____

Title: **Owner and Chief Engineer**

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