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FORM S-8

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FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

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_____ (STATE OF INCORPORATION) </TABLE>

93-0963760 -----(I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.)

2800 SCOTT BOULEVARD SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA 95050 (ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, OF REGISTRANT'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

> 1993 DIRECTORS' STOCK OPTION PLAN 1997 STOCK PLAN EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT FOR GARY J. SBONA EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT FOR MICHAEL S. WORHACH EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT FOR PAUL LOUCAS (FULL TITLE OF THE PLAN)

> > GARY J. SBONA CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. 2800 SCOTT BOULEVARD SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA 95050 (408) 566-2000 (NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE, OF AGENT FOR SERVICE)

> > > Copies to: HENRY P. MASSEY, JR., ESQ. WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 650 PAGE MILL ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304-1050 (650) 493-9300

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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TITLE OF EACH CLASS OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE	AMOUNT OF REGISTRATION FEE
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c> \$3,092,500</c>	<c></c>
Common Stock \$0.001 par value, previously issued or to be issued under the 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan	500,000 shares(1)	\$6.1850 (2)		\$773.13
Common Stock \$0.001 par value, previously issued or to be issued under the 1997 Stock Plan	8,000,000 shares(1)	\$7.2498 (3)	\$57 , 998 , 400	\$14,499.60
Common Stock \$0.001 par value, previously issued or to be issued under the Employee Stock Option Agreement, dated April 18, 2000, as amended, between Registrant and Gary	2,400,000 shares(1)	\$9.4375 (4)	\$22,650,000	\$5,662.50

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Common Stock \$0.001 par value, previously issued or to be issued under the Employee Stock Option Agreement, dated August 1, 2000, between Registrant and Michael S. Worhach	1,000,000 shares(1)	\$7.3438 (5)	\$7,343,800	\$1,835.95
Common Stock \$0.001 par value, previously issued or to be issued under the Employee Stock Option Agreement, dated July 3, 2000, between Registrant and Paul Loucas	200,000 shares(1)	\$4.9375 (6)	\$987,500	\$246.88
Total	12,100,000 shares	\$7.60927	\$92,072,200	\$23,018.06

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- (1) For the sole purpose of calculating the registration fee, the number of shares to be registered under this Registration Statement is the number of additional shares authorized to be issued under (1) the 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan, (2) the 1997 Stock Plan, (3) the Employee Stock Option Agreement, as amended, dated April 18, 2000, between Registrant and Gary J. Sbona, (4) the Employee Stock Option Agreement, dated August 1, 2000, between Registrant and Michael Worhach, and (5) the Employee Stock Option Agreement, dated July 3, 2000, between Registrant and Paul Loucas.
- (2) Estimated in accordance with Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. The price of \$6.185 represents the weighted average exercise price based on \$6.185 per share (the average of the high and low reported prices on the Nasdaq National Market as of January 26, 2001) for 500,000 shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance under the 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan. The price in the preceding sentence is being used because the exercise prices of options to be granted in the future are not currently determinable.
- (3) Estimated in accordance with Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. The price of \$7.2498 represents the weighted average exercise price based on (i) the weighted average exercise price of \$8.61 per share for options to purchase a total of 3,513,000 shares of Common Stock outstanding under the 1997 Stock Plan and (ii) \$6.185 per share (the average of the high and low reported prices on the Nasdaq National Market as of January 26, 2001) for 4,487,000 shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance under the 1997 Stock Plan. The price in (ii) of the preceding sentence is being used because the exercise prices of options to be granted in the future are not currently determinable.
- (4) The price of \$9.4375 represents the exercise price per share for options to purchase a total of 2,400,000 shares of Common Stock outstanding under the Employee Stock Option Agreement, as amended, dated April 18, 2000, between Registrant and Gary J. Sbona.
- (5) The price of \$7.3438 represents the exercise price per share for options to purchase a total of 1,000,000 shares of Common Stock outstanding under the Employee Stock Option Agreement dated August 1, 2000, between Registrant and Michael Worhach.
- (6) The price of \$4.9375 represents the exercise price per share for options to purchase a total of 200,000 shares of Common Stock outstanding under the Employee Stock Option Agreement dated July 3, 2000, between Registrant and Paul Loucas.

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PART II: INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3 INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents and information heretofore filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are hereby incorporated by reference:

ITEM 3(A)

The Annual Report on Form 10-K of Auspex Systems, Inc. (the "Registrant"), filed on September 28, 2000 pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

ITEM 3(B)

The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2000, filed on November 14, 2000 pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act.

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The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, filed on May 11, 1993 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act on March 26, 1993, as amended.

The description of the Registrant's Preferred Share Purchase Rights contained in Exhibit 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on April 20, 1995 pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

ITEM 4 DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

Not Applicable.

ITEM 5 INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not Applicable.

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ITEM 6 INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

As permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Registrant has included in its Certificate of Incorporation a provision to eliminate the personal liability of its directors for monetary damages for breach or alleged breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, subject to certain exceptions. In addition, the By-laws of the Registrant provide that the Registrant is required to indemnify its officers and directors under certain circumstances, including those circumstances in which indemnification would otherwise be discretionary, and the Registrant is required to advance expenses to its officers and directors as incurred in connection with proceedings against them for which they may be indemnified. The Registrant has entered into indemnification agreements with its officers and directors containing provisions that are in some respects broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained in the Delaware General Corporation Law. The indemnification agreements may require the Registrant, among other things, to indemnify such officers and directors against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers (other than liabilities arising from willful misconduct of a culpable nature), to advance expenses incurred as a result of any proceeding against them as to which they could be indemnified, and to obtain directors' and officers' insurance if available on reasonable terms. At present, the Registrant is not aware of any pending or threatened litigation or proceeding involving a director, officer, employee or agent of the Registrant in which indemnification would be required or permitted. The Registrant believes that its charter provisions and indemnification agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and officers.

TTEM 7 EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED

Not Applicable.

TTEM 8 EXHIBITS

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<s> 4.2(1)</s>	<c> Preferred Shares Rights Agreement between the Registrant and the First National Bank of Boston as Rights Agent dated April 19, 1995.</c>
5.1	Opinion of Counsel as to Legality of Securities Being Registered.

- 23.1 Consent of Independent Public Accountants.
- 23.2 Consent of Counsel (contained in Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
- 24.1 Power of Attorney (see page 6).
- 99.1 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan, as amended to date.
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ITEM 9 UNDERTAKINGS

A. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

B. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the C Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant, Auspex Systems, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Santa Clara, State of California, on February 2, 2001.

AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Gary J. Sbona Gary J. Sbona, Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Gary J. Sbona and Peter R. Simpson, jointly and severally, as his attorneys-in-fact, each with the power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities, to sign any amendments to this Registration Statement on Form S-8, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each of said attorneys-in-fact, or his substitute or substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

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Signature		
<s> /s/ Gary J. Sbona</s>	<c> Chief Executive Officer and Director</c>	<c> February 2, 2001</c>
(Gary J. Sbona)		
/s/ Peter R. Simpson	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	February 2, 2001
(Peter R. Simpson)	Accounting officer,	
/s/ Karl C. Powell	Director	February 1, 2001
(Karl C. Powell)		
/s/ John E. McNulty	Director	February 2, 2001
(John E. McNulty)		
/s/ Richard E. Chapman	Director	February 2, 2001
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February 2, 2001

Auspex Systems, Inc. 2300 Central Expressway Santa Clara, California 95050

RE: REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-8 to be filed by Auspex Systems, Inc. (the "Company") with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about February 2, 2001 (the "Registration Statement") in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of an aggregate of 12,100,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock (the "Shares") reserved for issuance under the 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan and the 1997 Stock Plan (collectively, the "Plans"), and the Employee Stock Option Agreement dated April 18, 2000, as amended, between the Company and Gary J. Sbona, the Employee Stock Option Agreement dated August 1, 2000 between the Company and Michael S. Worhach, and the Employee Stock Option Agreements"). As your legal counsel, we have examined the proceedings taken and are familiar with the proceedings proposed to be taken by you in connection with the sale and issuance of the Shares under the Plans and the Option Agreements.

It is our opinion that, upon completion of the proceedings being taken or contemplated by us to be taken prior to the issuance and sale of the Shares pursuant to the Plans and the Option Agreements, and upon completion of the proceedings being taken in order to permit each transaction to be carried out in accordance with the securities laws of the various states where required, the Shares, when issued and sold in the manner referred to in the Plans, the Option Agreements and the Registration Statement, will be legally and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and further consent to the use of our name wherever it appears in the Registration Statement, including the prospectus constituting a part thereof, and any amendments thereto.

Very truly yours,

WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI Professional Corporation

/s/ Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement of our report dated July 21, 2000, included in the Form 10-K/A of Auspex Systems, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2000.

/s/ ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

San Jose, California February 1, 2001

AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC.

1993 DIRECTORS' STOCK OPTION PLAN (AS AMENDED THROUGH OCTOBER 2000)

1. Purposes of the Plan. The purposes of this Directors' Stock Option Plan are to attract and retain the best available personnel for service as Directors of the Company, to provide additional incentive to the Outside Directors of the Company to serve as Directors, and to encourage their continued service on the Board.

All options granted hereunder shall be "nonstatutory stock options".

2. Definitions. As used herein, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.

- (b) "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (c) "Common Stock" shall mean the Common Stock of the Company.

(d) "Company" shall mean Auspex Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

(e) "Continuous Status as a Director" shall mean the absence of any interruption or termination of service as a Director.

(f) "Director" shall mean a member of the Board.

(g) "Employee" shall mean any person, including officers and Directors, employed by the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company. The payment of a director's fee by the Company shall not be sufficient in and of itself to constitute "employment" by the Company.

(h) "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(i) "Option" shall mean a stock option granted pursuant to the Plan.

(j) "Optioned Stock" shall mean the Common Stock subject to an Option.

(k) "Optionee" shall mean an Outside Director who receives an Option.

(1) "Outside Director" shall mean a Director who is not an Employee.

(m) "Parent" shall mean a "parent corporation", whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.

(n) "Plan" shall mean this 1993 Directors' Stock Option Plan.

(o) "Share" shall mean a share of the Common Stock, as adjusted in accordance with Section 11 of the Plan.

(p) "Subsidiary" shall mean a "subsidiary corporation", whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.

3. Stock Subject to the Plan. Subject to the provisions of Section 11 of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be optioned and sold under the Plan is 825,000 Shares (the "Pool") of Common Stock. The Shares may be authorized, but unissued, or reacquired Common Stock.

If an Option should expire or become unexercisable for any reason without having been exercised in full, the unpurchased Shares which were subject thereto shall, unless the Plan shall have been terminated, become available for future grant under the Plan. If Shares which were acquired upon exercise of an Option are subsequently repurchased by the Company, such Shares shall not in any event be returned to the Plan and shall not become available for future grant under the Plan.

4. Administration of and Grants of Options under the Plan.

(a) Administrator. Except as otherwise required herein, the Plan shall be administered by the Board.

(b) Procedure for Grants. All grants of Options hereunder shall be automatic and nondiscretionary and shall be made strictly in accordance with the following provisions:

(i) No person shall have any discretion to select which Outside Directors shall be granted Options or to determine the number of Shares to be covered by Options granted to Outside Directors.

(ii) Each Outside Director who first becomes a member of the Board of Directors after September 30, 2000 shall be automatically granted an Option to purchase 100,000 Shares (the "First Option") on the date on which such person first becomes an Outside Director, whether through election by the stockholders of the Company or appointment by the Board of Directors to fill a vacancy.

(iii) Each Outside Director shall be automatically granted an Option to purchase 25,000 Shares (a "Subsequent Option") on the first business day of the Company's fiscal

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year of each year, if on such date, he or she shall have served on the Board for at least six (6) months.

(iv) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (ii) and (iii) hereof, in the event that a grant would cause the number of Shares subject to outstanding Options plus the number of Shares previously purchased upon exercise of Options to exceed the Pool, then each such automatic grant shall be for that number of Shares determined by dividing the total number of Shares remaining available for grant by the number of Outside Directors on the automatic grant date. Any further grants shall then be deferred until such time, if any, as additional Shares become available for grant under the Plan through action of the stockholders to increase the number of Shares which may be issued under the Plan or through cancellation or expiration of Options previously granted hereunder.

(v) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (ii) and (iii) hereof, any grant of an Option made before the Company has obtained stockholder approval of the Plan in accordance with Section 17 hereof shall be conditioned upon obtaining such stockholder approval of the Plan in accordance with Section 17 hereof.

follows:

(vi) The terms of a First Option granted hereunder shall be as

(A) the First Option shall be exercisable only while the Outside Director remains a Director of the Company, except as set forth in Section 9 hereof.

(B) the exercise price per Share shall be 100% of the fair market value per Share on the date of grant of the First Option.

(C) the First Option shall become exercisable in installments cumulatively as to 1/24th of the Shares subject to the First Option on the last day of each of the first 12 full calendar months after the date of grant of such option, and as to 1/2 of the shares subject to such option on the last day of the 24th full calendar month after the date of grant of such option.

(vii) The terms of a Subsequent Option granted hereunder shall be as follows:

(A) the Subsequent Option shall be exercisable only while the Outside Director remains a Director of the Company, except as set forth in Section 9 hereof.

(B) the exercise price per Share shall be 100% of the fair

market value per Share on the date of grant of the Subsequent Option.

(C) the Subsequent Option shall become exercisable in installments cumulatively as to 1/24th of the Shares subject to the Subsequent Option on the last day of each of the first 12 calendar months beginning with the calendar month in which such option is granted, and

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as to 1/2 of the shares subject to such option on the last day of the 24th calendar month following the calendar month in which such option is granted.

(c) Powers of the Board. Subject to the provisions and restrictions of the Plan, the Board shall have the authority, in its discretion: (i) to determine, upon review of relevant information and in accordance with Section 8(b) of the Plan, the fair market value of the Common Stock; (ii) to determine the exercise price per share of Options to be granted, which exercise price shall be determined in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Plan; (iii) to interpret the Plan; (iv) to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan; (v) to authorize any person to execute on behalf of the Company any instrument required to effectuate the grant of an Option previously granted hereunder; and (vi) to make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan.

(d) Effect of Board's Decision. All decisions, determinations and interpretations of the Board shall be final and binding on all Optionees and any other holders of any Options granted under the Plan.

(e) Suspension or Termination of Option. If the President or his or her designee reasonably believes that an Optionee has committed an act of misconduct, the President may suspend the Optionee's right to exercise any option pending a determination by the Board of Directors (excluding the Outside Director accused of such misconduct). If the Board of Directors (excluding the Outside Director accused of such misconduct) determines an Optionee has committed an act of embezzlement, fraud, dishonesty, nonpayment of an obligation owed to the Company, breach of fiduciary duty or deliberate disregard of the Company rules resulting in loss, damage or injury to the Company, or if an Optionee makes an unauthorized disclosure of any Company trade secret or confidential information, engages in any conduct constituting unfair competition, induces any Company customer to breach a contract with the Company or induces any principal for whom the Company acts as agent to terminate such agency relationship, neither the Optionee nor his or her estate shall be entitled to exercise any option whatsoever. In making such determination, the Board of Directors (excluding the Outside Director accused of such misconduct) shall act fairly and shall give the Optionee an opportunity to appear and present evidence on Optionee's behalf at a hearing before the Board or a committee of the Board.

5. Eligibility. Options may be granted only to Outside Directors. All

Options shall be automatically granted in accordance with the terms set forth in Section 4(b) hereof. An Outside Director who has been granted an Option may, if he or she is otherwise eligible, be granted an additional Option or Options in accordance with such provisions.

The Plan shall not confer upon any Optionee any right with respect to continuation of service as a Director or nomination to serve as a Director, nor shall it interfere in any way with any rights which the Director or the Company may have to terminate his or her directorship at any time.

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6. Term of Plan; Effective Date. The Plan shall become effective on June 28, 1993. It shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless sooner terminated under Section 13 of the Plan.

7. Term of Option. The term of each Option shall be ten (10) years from the date of grant thereof.

8. Exercise Price and Consideration.

(a) Exercise Price. The per Share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an Option shall be 100% of the fair market value per Share on the date of grant of the Option.

(b) Fair Market Value. The fair market value shall be determined by the Board in its discretion; provided, however, that where there is a public market for the Common Stock, the fair market value per Share shall be the mean of the bid and asked prices of the Common Stock in the over-the-counter market on the date of grant, as reported in The Wall Street Journal (or, if not so reported, as otherwise reported by the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation ("NASDAQ") System) or, in the event the Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System or listed on a stock exchange, the fair market value per Share shall be the closing price on such system or exchange on the date of grant of the Option, as reported in The Wall Street Journal.

(c) Form of Consideration. The consideration to be paid for the Shares to be issued upon exercise of an Option shall consist entirely of cash, check, other Shares of Common Stock having a fair market value on the date of surrender equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares as to which said Option shall be exercised (which, if acquired from the Company, shall have been held for at least six months), delivery of a properly executed exercise notice together with instructions to a broker to deliver promptly to the Company the amount of sale proceeds required to pay the exercise price, or any combination of such methods of payment and/or any other consideration or method of payment as shall be permitted under applicable corporate law.

9. Exercise of Option.

(a) Procedure for Exercise; Rights as a Stockholder. Any Option granted hereunder shall be exercisable at such times as are set forth in Section 4(b) hereof; provided, however, that no Options shall be exercisable until stockholder approval of the Plan in accordance with Section 17 hereof has been obtained.

An Option may not be exercised for a fraction of a Share.

An Option shall be deemed to be exercised when written notice of such exercise has been given to the Company in accordance with the terms of the Option by the person entitled to

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exercise the Option and full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Option is exercised has been received by the Company. Full payment may consist of any consideration and method of payment allowable under Section 8(c) of the Plan. Until the issuance (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company) of the stock certificate evidencing such Shares, no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a stockholder shall exist with respect to the Optioned Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Option. A share certificate for the number of Shares so acquired shall be issued to the Optionee as soon as practicable after exercise of the Option. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the stock certificate is issued, except as provided in Section 11 of the Plan.

Exercise of an Option in any manner shall result in a decrease in the number of Shares which thereafter may be available, both for purposes of the Plan and for sale under the Option, by the number of Shares as to which the Option is exercised.

(b) Termination of Status as a Director. If an Outside Director ceases to serve as a Director, he or she may, but only within three (3) months (or such other period of time not exceeding six (6) months as is determined by the Board) after the date he or she ceases to be a Director of the Company, exercise his or her Option to the extent that he or she was entitled to exercise it at the date of such termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event may the Option be exercised after its term set forth in Section 7 has expired. To the extent that such Outside Director was not entitled to exercise an Option at the date of such termination, or does not exercise such Option (which he or she was entitled to exercise) within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate.

(c) Disability of Optionee. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 9(b) above, in the event a Director is unable to continue his or her service as a Director with the Company as a result of his or her total and permanent disability (as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code), he or she may, but only within six (6) months (or such other period of time not exceeding twelve (12) months as is determined by the Board) from the date of such termination, exercise his or her Option to the extent he or she was entitled to exercise it at the date of such termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event may the Option be exercised after its term set forth in Section 7 has expired. To the extent that he or she was not entitled to exercise the Option at the date of termination, or if he or she does not exercise such Option (which he or she was entitled to exercise) within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate.

(d) Death of Optionee. In the event of the death of an Optionee:

(i) during the term of the Option who is, at the time of his or her death, a Director of the Company and who shall have been in Continuous Status as a Director since the date of grant of the Option, the Option may be exercised, at any time within six (6) months (or such other period of time as is determined by the Board) following the date of death, by the Optionee's estate or by a person who acquired the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, but only to the

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extent of the right to exercise that would have accrued had the Optionee continued living and remained in Continuous Status as Director for six (6) months (or such lesser period of time as is determined by the Board) after the date of death. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event may the Option be exercised after its term set forth in Section 7 has expired.

(ii) within three (3) months (or such lesser period of time as is determined by the Board) after the termination of Continuous Status as a Director, the Option may be exercised, at any time within six (6) months following the date of death, by the Optionee's estate or by a person who acquired the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, but only to the extent of the right to exercise that had accrued at the date of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event may the option be exercised after its term set forth in Section 7 has expired.

10. Nontransferability of Options. Unless otherwise provided for by the Board, the Option may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution. The designation of a beneficiary by an Optionee does not constitute a transfer. An Option may be exercised during the lifetime of an Optionee only by the Optionee or a transferee permitted by this Section.

11. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization or Merger.

(a) Change in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each outstanding Option, and the number of shares of Common Stock which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but as to which no Options have yet been granted or which have been returned to the Plan upon cancellation or

expiration of an Option, as well as the price per share of Common Stock covered by each such outstanding Option, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to an Option.

(b) Dissolution; Liquidation. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Option will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action, unless otherwise provided by the Board. The Board may, in the exercise of its sole discretion in such instances, declare that any Option shall terminate as of a date fixed by the Board and give each Optionee the right to exercise his or her Option as to all or any part of the Optioned Stock, including Shares as to which the Option would not otherwise be exercisable.

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(c) Merger; Asset Sale. In the event of a proposed sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or the merger of the Company with or into another corporation, then, except as provided in Section 11(d) hereof, to the extent the Option is unvested, the Option shall become fully vested and exercisable as to 100% of the Shares subject to such Option, in addition to any Shares which may have already vested under such Option (up to a maximum of 100% of the Optioned Stock originally granted), provided, however, that no exercise made pursuant to this Section 11(c) as to the previously unexercisable portion of an Option shall be effective until the closing of such transaction. In the event that, pursuant to Section 11(d) hereof, the vesting of the outstanding portion of the Option is not accelerated, the outstanding Options may be assumed or an equivalent option may be substituted by the successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary thereof. If an Option becomes fully vested and exercisable pursuant to this Section 11(c), the Board shall notify the Optionee not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the closing of the relevant transaction, and the Option shall become exercisable as to the previously unvested portion of the Option, provided, however, that no exercise made pursuant to this Section 11(c) as to the previously unexercisable portion of an Option shall be effective until the closing of such transaction. To the extent that the Option is not exercised, assumed or substituted upon such closing, the Option will thereupon terminate.

For the purposes of this Section 11(c), an Option shall be considered assumed if, following the merger or sale of assets, the Option confers the right

to purchase or receive, for each Share of Optioned Stock subject to the Option immediately prior to the merger or sale of assets, the consideration (whether stock, cash, or other securities or property) received in the merger or sale of assets by holders of Common Stock for each Share held on the effective date of the transaction (and if holders were offered a choice of consideration, the type of consideration chosen by the holders of a majority of the outstanding Shares). If such consideration received in the merger or sale of assets is not solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent, the Administrator may, with the consent of the successor corporation, provide for the consideration to be received upon the exercise of the Option, for each Share of Optioned Stock subject to the Option, to be solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent equal in fair market value to the per share consideration received by holders of Common Stock in the merger or sale of assets.

(d) Certain Business Combinations. In the event it is determined by the Company's independent public accountants that the acceleration of vesting of outstanding Options upon a merger pursuant to this Section would preclude accounting for such merger as a pooling of interests, and the Board desires to approve such merger which requires as a condition to the closing of such transaction that it be accounted for as a pooling of interests, then any such option acceleration shall be null and void, but only if the absence of such option acceleration would preserve the pooling treatment.

12. Time of Granting Options. The date of grant of an Option shall, for all purposes, be the date determined in accordance with Section 4(b) hereof. Notice of the determination shall be given to each Outside Director to whom an Option is so granted within a reasonable time after the date of such grant.

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13. Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

(a) Amendment and Termination. The Board may amend or terminate the Plan from time to time in such respects as the Board may deem advisable; provided that, to the extent necessary and desirable to comply with any applicable law or regulation, the Company shall obtain approval of the stockholders of the Company to Plan amendments to the extent and in the manner required by such law or regulation.

(b) Effect of Amendment or Termination. Any such amendment or termination of the Plan that would impair the rights of any Optionee shall not affect Options already granted to such Optionee and such Options shall remain in full force and effect as if this Plan had not been amended or terminated, unless mutually agreed otherwise between the Optionee and the Board, which agreement must be in writing and signed by the Optionee and the Company.

14. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares. Shares shall not be issued pursuant to the exercise of an Option unless the exercise of such Option and the issuance and delivery of such Shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all relevant provisions of law, including, without limitation, the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, state securities laws, and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

As a condition to the exercise of an Option, the Company may require the person exercising such Option to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares, if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any of the aforementioned relevant provisions of law.

Inability of the Company to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which authority is deemed by the Company's counsel to be necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder, shall relieve the Company of any liability in respect of the failure to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority shall not have been obtained.

15. Reservation of Shares. The Company, during the term of this Plan, will at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the Plan.

16. Option Agreement. Options shall be evidenced by written option agreements in such form as the Board shall approve.

17. Stockholder Approval.

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(a) Continuance of the Plan shall be subject to approval by the stockholders of the Company at or prior to the first annual meeting of stockholders held subsequent to the granting of an Option hereunder. If such stockholder approval is obtained at a duly held stockholders' meeting, it may be obtained by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Company present or represented and entitled to vote thereon. If such stockholder approval is obtained by written consent, it may be obtained by the written consent of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Company.

(b) Any required approval of the stockholders of the Company shall be solicited substantially in accordance with Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

18. Information to Optionees. The Company shall provide to each Optionee, during the period for which such Optionee has one or more Options outstanding, copies of all annual reports to stockholders, proxy statements and other information provided to all stockholders of the Company.

- 1. Purposes of the Plan. The purposes of this Plan are:
 - to attract and retain the best available personnel for positions of substantial responsibility,
 - to provide additional incentive to Employees, Directors and Consultants, and
 - to promote the success of the Company's business.

Options granted under the Plan may be Incentive Stock Options or Nonstatutory Stock Options, as determined by the Administrator at the time of grant. Stock Purchase Rights may also be granted under the Plan.

2. Definitions. As used herein, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Administrator" means the Board or any of its Committees as shall be administering the Plan, in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan.

(b) "Applicable Laws" means the requirements relating to the administration of stock option plans under U. S. state corporate laws, U.S. federal and state securities laws, the Code, any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted and the applicable laws of any foreign country or jurisdiction where Options or Stock Purchase Rights are, or will be, granted under the Plan.

(c) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

(d) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

(e) "Committee" means a committee of Directors appointed by the Board in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan.

(f) "Common Stock" means the common stock of the Company.

(g) "Company" means Auspex Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

(h) "Consultant" means any person, including an advisor, engaged by the Company or a Parent or Subsidiary to render services to such entity.

(i) "Director" means a member of the Board.

(j) "Disability" means total and permanent disability as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

(k) "Employee" means any person, including Officers and Directors, employed by the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company. A Service Provider shall not cease to be an Employee in the case of (i) any leave of absence approved by the Company or (ii) transfers between locations of the Company or between the Company, its Parent, any Subsidiary, or any successor. For purposes of Incentive Stock Options, no such leave may exceed ninety days, unless reemployment upon expiration of such leave is guaranteed by statute or contract. If reemployment upon expiration of a leave of absence approved by the Company is not so guaranteed, on the 181st day of such leave any Incentive Stock Option held by the Optionee shall cease to be treated as an Incentive Stock Option and shall be treated for tax purposes as a Nonstatutory Stock Option. Neither service as a Director nor payment of a director's fee by the Company shall be sufficient to constitute "employment" by the Company.

(1) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(m) "Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:

(i) If the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange or a national market system, including without limitation the Nasdaq National Market or The Nasdaq SmallCap Market of The Nasdaq Stock Market, its Fair Market Value shall be the closing sales price for such stock (or the closing bid, if no sales were reported) as quoted on such exchange or system for the last market trading day prior to the time of determination, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable;

(ii) If the Common Stock is regularly quoted by a recognized securities dealer but selling prices are not reported, the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock shall be the mean between the high bid and low asked prices for the Common Stock on the last market trading day prior to the day of determination, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable; or

(iii) In the absence of an established market for the Common Stock, the Fair Market Value shall be determined in good faith by the Administrator.

(n) "Incentive Stock Option" means an Option intended to qualify as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

(o) "Nonstatutory Stock Option" means an Option not intended to

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(p) "Notice of Grant" means a written or electronic notice evidencing certain terms and conditions of an individual Option or Stock Purchase Right grant. The Notice of Grant is part of the Option Agreement.

(q) "Officer" means a person who is an officer of the Company within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(r) "Option" means a stock option granted pursuant to the Plan.

(s) "Option Agreement" means an agreement between the Company and an Optionee evidencing the terms and conditions of an individual Option grant. The Option Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

(t) "Option Exchange Program" means a program whereby outstanding Options are surrendered in exchange for Options with a lower exercise price.

(u) "Optioned Stock" means the Common Stock subject to an Option or Stock Purchase Right.

(v) "Optionee" means the holder of an outstanding Option or Stock Purchase Right granted under the Plan.

(w) "Parent" means a "parent corporation," whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.

(x) "Plan" means this 1997 Stock Plan.

(y) "Restricted Stock" means shares of Common Stock acquired pursuant to a grant of Stock Purchase Rights under Section 11 of the Plan.

(z) "Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement" means a written agreement between the Company and the Optionee evidencing the terms and restrictions applying to stock purchased under a Stock Purchase Right. The Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Notice of Grant.

(aa) "Rule 16b-3" means Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act or any successor to Rule 16b-3, as in effect when discretion is being exercised with respect to the Plan.

(bb) "Section 16(b)" means Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act.(cc) "Service Provider" means an Employee, Director or Consultant.

(dd) "Share" means a share of the Common Stock, as adjusted in accordance with Section 13 of the Plan.

(ee) "Stock Purchase Right" means the right to purchase Common Stock pursuant to Section 11 of the Plan, as evidenced by a Notice of Grant.

(ff) "Subsidiary" means a "subsidiary corporation", whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.

3. Stock Subject to the Plan. Subject to the provisions of Section 13 of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be optioned and sold under the Plan is 9,050,000 Shares. The Shares may be authorized, but unissued, or reacquired Common Stock.

If an Option or Stock Purchase Right expires or becomes unexercisable without having been exercised in full, or is surrendered pursuant to an Option Exchange Program, the unpurchased Shares which were subject thereto shall become available for future grant or sale under the Plan (unless the Plan has terminated); provided, however, that Shares that have actually been issued under the Plan, whether upon exercise of an Option or Right, shall not be returned to the Plan and shall not become available for future distribution under the Plan, except that if Shares of Restricted Stock are repurchased by the Company at their original purchase price, such Shares shall become available for future grant under the Plan.

4. Administration of the Plan.

(a) Procedure.

(i) Multiple Administrative Bodies. The Plan may be administered by different Committees with respect to different groups of Service Providers.

(ii) Section 162(m). To the extent that the Administrator determines it to be desirable to qualify Options granted hereunder as "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, the Plan shall be administered by a Committee of two or more "outside directors" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code.

(iii) Rule 16b-3. To the extent desirable to qualify transactions hereunder as exempt under Rule 16b-3, the transactions contemplated hereunder shall be structured to satisfy the requirements for exemption under Rule 16b-3.

(iv) Other Administration. Other than as provided above, the

Plan shall be administered by (A) the Board or (B) a Committee, which committee shall be constituted to satisfy Applicable Laws.

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(b) Powers of the Administrator. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, and in the case of a Committee, subject to the specific duties delegated by the Board to such Committee, the Administrator shall have the authority, in its discretion:

(i) to determine the Fair Market Value;

(ii) to select the Service Providers to whom Options and Stock Purchase Rights may be granted hereunder;

(iii) to determine the number of shares of Common Stock to be covered by each Option and Stock Purchase Right granted hereunder;

(iv) to approve forms of agreement for use under the Plan;

(v) to determine the terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, of any Option or Stock Purchase Right granted hereunder. Such terms and conditions include, but are not limited to, the exercise price, the time or times when Options or Stock Purchase Rights may be exercised (which may be based on performance criteria), any vesting acceleration or waiver of forfeiture restrictions, and any restriction or limitation regarding any Option or Stock Purchase Right or the shares of Common Stock relating thereto, based in each case on such factors as the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine;

(vi) to reduce the exercise price of any Option or Stock Purchase Right to the then current Fair Market Value if the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock covered by such Option or Stock Purchase Right shall have declined since the date the Option or Stock Purchase Right was granted;

(vii) to institute an Option Exchange Program;

(viii) to construe and interpret the terms of the Plan and awards granted pursuant to the Plan;

(ix) to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan, including rules and regulations relating to sub-plans established for the purpose of qualifying for preferred tax treatment under foreign tax laws;

(x) to modify or amend each Option or Stock Purchase Right (subject to Section 15(c) of the Plan), including the discretionary authority to

extend the post-termination exercisability period of Options longer than is otherwise provided for in the Plan;

(xi) to allow Optionees to satisfy withholding tax obligations by electing to have the Company withhold from the Shares to be issued upon exercise of an Option or Stock Purchase Right that number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount required to be withheld. The Fair Market Value of the Shares to be withheld shall be determined on the date that

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the amount of tax to be withheld is to be determined. All elections by an Optionee to have Shares withheld for this purpose shall be made in such form and under such conditions as the Administrator may deem necessary or advisable;

(xii) to authorize any person to execute on behalf of the Company any instrument required to effect the grant of an Option or Stock Purchase Right previously granted by the Administrator;

(xiii) to make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for administering the Plan.

(c) Effect of Administrator's Decision. The Administrator's decisions, determinations and interpretations shall be final and binding on all Optionees and any other holders of Options or Stock Purchase Rights.

5. Eligibility. Nonstatutory Stock Options and Stock Purchase Rights may be granted to Service Providers. Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to Employees.

6. Limitations.

(a) Each Option shall be designated in the Option Agreement as either an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonstatutory Stock Option. However, notwithstanding such designation, to the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value of the Shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by the Optionee during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company and any Parent or Subsidiary) exceeds \$100,000, such Options shall be treated as Nonstatutory Stock Options. For purposes of this Section 6(a), Incentive Stock Options shall be taken into account in the order in which they were granted. The Fair Market Value of the Shares shall be determined as of the time the Option with respect to such Shares is granted.

(b) Neither the Plan nor any Option or Stock Purchase Right shall confer upon an Optionee any right with respect to continuing the Optionee's relationship as a Service Provider with the Company, nor shall they interfere in any way with the Optionee's right or the Company's right to terminate such relationship at any time, with or without cause. (c) The following limitations shall apply to grants of Options:

(i) No Service Provider shall be granted, in any fiscal year of the Company, Options to purchase more than 750,000 Shares.

(ii) In connection with his or her initial service, a Service Provider may be granted Options to purchase up to an additional 250,000 Shares which shall not count against the limit set forth in subsection (i) above.

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(iii) The foregoing limitations shall be adjusted proportionately in connection with any change in the Company's capitalization as described in Section 13.

(iv) If an Option is canceled in the same fiscal year of the Company in which it was granted (other than in connection with a transaction described in Section 13), the canceled Option will be counted against the limits set forth in subsections (i) and (ii) above. For this purpose, if the exercise price of an Option is reduced, the transaction will be treated as a cancellation of the Option and the grant of a new Option.

7. Term of Plan. Subject to Section 19 of the Plan, the Plan shall become effective upon its adoption by the Board. It shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless terminated earlier under Section 15 of the Plan.

8. Term of Option. The term of each Option shall be ten (10) years from the date of grant or such shorter term as may be provided in the Option Agreement; provided, however, that in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to an Optionee who, at the time the Incentive Stock Option is granted, owns stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary, the term of the Incentive Stock Option shall be five (5) years from the date of grant or such shorter term as may be provided in the Option Agreement.

9. Option Exercise Price and Consideration.

(a) Exercise Price. The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an Option shall be determined by the Administrator, subject to the following:

(i) In the case of an Incentive Stock Option

(A) granted to an Employee who, at the time the Incentive Stock Option is granted, owns stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary, the per Share exercise price shall be no less than 110% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

(B) granted to any Employee other than an Employee described in paragraph (A) immediately above, the per Share exercise price shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

(ii) In the case of a Nonstatutory Stock Option, the per Share exercise price shall be determined by the Administrator but in no case shall be less than 75% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant. In the case of a Nonstatutory Stock Option intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, the per Share exercise price shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

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(iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Options may be granted with a per Share exercise price of less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant pursuant to a merger or other corporate transaction.

(b) Waiting Period and Exercise Dates. At the time an Option is granted, the Administrator shall fix the period within which the Option may be exercised and shall determine any conditions which must be satisfied before the Option may be exercised.

(c) Form of Consideration. The Administrator shall determine the acceptable form of consideration for exercising an Option, including the method of payment. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, the Administrator shall determine the acceptable form of consideration at the time of grant. Such consideration may consist entirely of:

(i) cash;
(ii) check;
(iii) promissory note;

(iv) other Shares which (A) in the case of Shares acquired upon exercise of an option, have been owned by the Optionee for more than six months on the date of surrender, and (B) have a Fair Market Value on the date of surrender equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares as to which said Option shall be exercised;

(v) consideration received by the Company under a cashless exercise program implemented by the Company in connection with the Plan;

(vi) a reduction in the amount of any Company liability to the Optionee, including any liability attributable to the Optionee's participation

in any Company-sponsored deferred compensation program or arrangement;

(vii) any combination of the foregoing methods of payment; or

(viii) such other consideration and method of payment for the issuance of Shares to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws.

10. Exercise of Option.

(a) Procedure for Exercise; Rights as a Stockholder. Any Option granted hereunder shall be exercisable according to the terms of the Plan and at such times and under such conditions as determined by the Administrator and set forth in the Option Agreement. Unless the Administrator

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provides otherwise, vesting of Options granted hereunder shall be tolled during any unpaid leave of absence. An Option may not be exercised for a fraction of a Share.

An Option shall be deemed exercised when the Company receives: (i) written or electronic notice of exercise (in accordance with the Option Agreement) from the person entitled to exercise the Option, and (ii) full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Option is exercised. Full payment may consist of any consideration and method of payment authorized by the Administrator and permitted by the Option Agreement and the Plan. Shares issued upon exercise of an Option shall be issued in the name of the Optionee or, if requested by the Optionee, in the name of the Optionee and his or her spouse. Until the Shares are issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a stockholder shall exist with respect to the Optioned Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Option. The Company shall issue (or cause to be issued) such Shares promptly after the Option is exercised. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the Shares are issued, except as provided in Section 13 of the Plan.

Exercising an Option in any manner shall decrease the number of Shares thereafter available, both for purposes of the Plan and for sale under the Option, by the number of Shares as to which the Option is exercised.

(b) Termination of Relationship as a Service Provider. If an Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, other than upon the Optionee's death or Disability, the Optionee may exercise his or her Option within such period of time as is specified in the Option Agreement to the extent that the Option is vested on the date of termination (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Option Agreement). In the absence of a specified time in the Option Agreement, the Option shall remain exercisable for three (3) months following the Optionee's termination in the case of an Incentive Stock Option and six (6) months following the Optionee's termination in the case of a Nonstatutory Stock Option. If, on the date of termination, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. If, after termination, the Optionee does not exercise his or her Option within the time specified by the Administrator, the Option shall terminate, and the Shares covered by such Option shall revert to the Plan.

(c) Disability of Optionee. If an Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider as a result of the Optionee's Disability, the Optionee may exercise his or her Option within such period of time as is specified in the Option Agreement to the extent the Option is vested on the date of termination (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Option Agreement). In the absence of a specified time in the Option Agreement, the Option shall remain exercisable for six (6) months following the Optionee's termination. If, on the date of termination, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. If, after termination, the Optionee does not exercise his or her

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Option within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate, and the Shares covered by such Option shall revert to the Plan.

(d) Death of Optionee. In the event of the death of an Optionee:

(i) during the term of the Option who is at the time of his or her death a Service Provider, the Option may be exercised within such period of time as is specified in the Option Agreement (in the absence of a specified time in the Option Agreement, the Option shall remain exercisable for twelve (12) months following Optionee's death, but in no event shall such period of time extend beyond the date of expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Notice of Grant), by the Optionee's estate or by a person who acquires the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, but only to the extent of the right to exercise that would have accrued had the Optionee continued living and remained a Service Provider for six (6) months after the date of his or her death, subject to the limitation set forth in Section 6(a); or

(ii) within thirty (30) days (or such other period of time not exceeding three (3) months as is determined by the Administrator, with such determination in the case of an Incentive Stock Option being made at the time of grant of the Option) after the termination of the Optionee's status as a Service Provider, the Option may be exercised within such period of time as is specified in the Option Agreement (but in no event later than the date of expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Notice of Grant), by the Optionee's estate or by a person who acquires the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, but only to the extent that the Option is vested at the date of termination.

If, at the time of death, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, then subject to the additional vesting of Shares which may occur pursuant to Section 10(d)(i) hereof, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall immediately revert to the Plan. The Option may be exercised by the executor or administrator of the Optionee's estate or, if none, by the person(s) entitled to exercise the Option under the Optionee's will or the laws of descent or distribution. If the Option is not so exercised within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate, and the Shares covered by such Option shall revert to the Plan.

(e) Buyout Provisions. The Administrator may at any time offer to buy out for a payment in cash or Shares an Option previously granted based on such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall establish and communicate to the Optionee at the time that such offer is made.

11. Stock Purchase Rights.

(a) Rights to Purchase. Stock Purchase Rights may be issued either alone, in addition to, or in tandem with other awards granted under the Plan and/or cash awards made outside of the Plan. After the Administrator determines that it will offer Stock Purchase Rights under the Plan, it shall advise the offeree in writing or electronically, by means of a Notice of Grant, of the terms, conditions and restrictions related to the offer, including the number of Shares that the offeree shall

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be entitled to purchase, the price to be paid, and the time within which the offeree must accept such offer. The offer shall be accepted by execution of a Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement in the form determined by the Administrator.

(b) Repurchase Option. Unless the Administrator determines otherwise, the Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement shall grant the Company a repurchase option exercisable upon the voluntary or involuntary termination of the purchaser's service with the Company for any reason (including death or Disability). The purchase price for Shares repurchased pursuant to the Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement shall be the original price paid by the purchaser and may be paid by cancellation of any indebtedness of the purchaser to the Company. The repurchase option shall lapse at a rate determined by the Administrator.

(c) Other Provisions. The Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement shall contain such other terms, provisions and conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be determined by the Administrator in its sole discretion.

(d) Rights as a Stockholder. Once the Stock Purchase Right is exercised, the purchaser shall have the rights equivalent to those of a stockholder, and shall be a stockholder when his or her purchase is entered upon the records of the duly authorized transfer agent of the Company. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the Stock Purchase Right is exercised, except as provided in Section 13 of the Plan.

12. Non-Transferability of Options and Stock Purchase Rights. Unless determined otherwise by the Administrator, an Option or Stock Purchase Right may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised, during the lifetime of the Optionee, only by the Optionee. If the Administrator makes an Option or Stock Purchase Right transferable, such Option or Stock Purchase Right shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Administrator deems appropriate.

13. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Merger or Asset Sale.

(a) Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each outstanding Option and Stock Purchase Right, and the number of shares of Common Stock which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but as to which no Options or Stock Purchase Rights have yet been granted or which have been returned to the Plan upon cancellation or expiration of an Option or Stock Purchase Right, as well as the price per share of Common Stock covered by each such outstanding Option or Stock Purchase Right, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of convertible securities of the Company shall not

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be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to an Option or Stock Purchase Right.

(b) Dissolution or Liquidation. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Administrator shall notify each Optionee as soon as practicable prior to the effective date of such proposed transaction. The Administrator in its discretion may provide for an Optionee to have the right to exercise his or her Option until ten (10) days prior to such transaction as to all of the Optioned Stock covered thereby, including Shares as to which the Option would not otherwise be exercisable. In addition, the Administrator may provide that any Company repurchase option applicable to any Shares purchased upon exercise of an Option or Stock Purchase Right shall lapse as to all such Shares, provided the proposed dissolution or liquidation takes place at the time and in the manner contemplated. To the extent it has not been previously exercised, an Option or Stock Purchase Right will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action.

(c) Merger or Asset Sale. In the event of a merger of the Company with or into another corporation, or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, then, to the extent unvested, each outstanding Option shall become vested and exercisable as to an additional 1/16th of the Shares subject to the Option for each full year that such Option has been outstanding and the repurchase option for any Restricted Stock shall lapse as to an additional 1/16th of the Shares subject to the repurchase option for each full year since the purchase of the Restricted Stock. (In no event shall an Optionee obtain the right pursuant to this provision to exercise an Option or a Stock Purchase Right for more than 100% of the Optioned Stock originally granted in connection with such Option or Stock Purchase Right.) In addition, each outstanding Option and Stock Purchase Right may be assumed or an equivalent option or right substituted by the successor corporation or a Parent or Subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for the Option or Stock Purchase Right, (i) the Optionee shall fully vest in and have the right to exercise the Option or Stock Purchase Right as to all of the Optioned Stock, including Shares as to which it would not otherwise be vested or exercisable and (ii) any repurchase rights for Restricted Stock shall lapse so that all Shares of Restricted Stock shall be vested. If an Option or Stock Purchase Right becomes fully vested and exercisable in lieu of assumption or substitution in the event of a merger or sale of assets, the Administrator shall notify the Optionee in writing or electronically that the Option or Stock Purchase Right shall be fully vested and exercisable for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of such notice, and the Option or Stock Purchase Right shall terminate upon the expiration of such period. If the repurchase option on Restricted Stock lapses and the Restricted Stock becomes fully vested pursuant to this Section, then the Administrator shall notify the owner of the Restricted Stock in writing or electronically that the repurchase option has lapsed. For the purposes of this paragraph, the Option or Stock Purchase

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Right shall be considered assumed if, following the merger or sale of assets, the option or right confers the right to purchase or receive, for each Share of

Optioned Stock subject to the Option or Stock Purchase Right immediately prior to the merger or sale of assets, the consideration (whether stock, cash, or other securities or property) received in the merger or sale of assets by holders of Common Stock for each Share held on the effective date of the transaction (and if holders were offered a choice of consideration, the type of consideration chosen by the holders of a majority of the outstanding Shares); provided, however, that if such consideration received in the merger or sale of assets is not solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent, the Administrator may, with the consent of the successor corporation, provide for the consideration to be received upon the exercise of the Option or Stock Purchase Right, for each Share of Optioned Stock subject to the Option or Stock Purchase Right, to be solely common stock of the successor corporation or its Parent equal in fair market value to the per share consideration received by holders of Common Stock in the merger or sale of assets.

(d) Certain Business Combinations. In the event it is determined by the Company's independent public accountants that the acceleration of vesting of outstanding Options upon a merger in accordance with this Section would preclude accounting for such merger as a pooling of interests, and the Board otherwise desires to approve such transaction which requires as a condition to the closing of such transaction that it be accounted for as a pooling of interests, then any such option acceleration shall be null and void, but only if the absence of such option acceleration would preserve the pooling treatment.

14. Date of Grant. The date of grant of an Option or Stock Purchase Right shall be, for all purposes, the date on which the Administrator makes the determination granting such Option or Stock Purchase Right, or such other later date as is determined by the Administrator. Notice of the determination shall be provided to each Optionee within a reasonable time after the date of such grant.

15. Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

(a) Amendment and Termination. The Board may at any time amend, alter, suspend or terminate the Plan.

(b) Stockholder Approval. The Company shall obtain stockholder approval of any Plan amendment to the extent necessary and desirable to comply with Applicable Laws.

(c) Effect of Amendment or Termination. No amendment, alteration, suspension or termination of the Plan shall impair the rights of any Optionee, unless mutually agreed otherwise between the Optionee and the Administrator, which agreement must be in writing and signed by the Optionee and the Company. Termination of the Plan shall not affect the Administrator's ability to exercise the powers granted to it hereunder with respect to Options granted under the Plan prior to the date of such termination.

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16. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.

(a) Legal Compliance. Shares shall not be issued pursuant to the exercise of an Option or Stock Purchase Right unless the exercise of such Option or Stock Purchase Right and the issuance and delivery of such Shares shall comply with Applicable Laws and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

(b) Investment Representations. As a condition to the exercise of an Option or Stock Purchase Right, the Company may require the person exercising such Option or Stock Purchase Right to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required.

17. Inability to Obtain Authority. The inability of the Company to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which authority is deemed by the Company's counsel to be necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder, shall relieve the Company of any liability in respect of the failure to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority shall not have been obtained.

18. Reservation of Shares. The Company, during the term of this Plan, will at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the Plan.

19. Stockholder Approval. The Plan shall be subject to approval by the stockholders of the Company within twelve (12) months after the date the Plan is adopted. Such stockholder approval shall be obtained in the manner and to the degree required under Applicable Laws.

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AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT DATED AS OF AUGUST 1, 2000

1. NOTICE OF STOCK OPTION GRANT

Michael S. Worhach ------Optionee

You have been granted an option to purchase Common Stock of the Company, subject to the terms and conditions of this Option Agreement, as follows:

Date of Grant	August 1, 2000
Vesting Commencement Date	August 1, 2000
Exercise Price Per Share	7.3438
Total Number of Shares Granted	1,000,000
Total Exercise Price	\$7,343,800
Term/Expiration Date	August 1, 2010

Vesting Schedule:

This Option may be exercised, in whole or in part, in accordance with the following schedule:

The Option shall vest and become exercisable as to 1/24 of the Shares subject to the Option at the end of each of the 12 one-month periods immediately following the Vesting Commencement Date, and as to 1/2 of the Shares subject to the Option on the two-year anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date, provided that Optionee's status as an employee of the Company has not terminated prior to any such date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Option shall vest and become fully exercisable upon a Change of Control or if Optionee's employment with the Company is terminated without Cause.

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For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) Any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing fifty percent (50%) or more of the total voting power represented by the Company's then outstanding voting securities; (ii) the consummation of a merger or consolidation of the Company with any other corporation, other than a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent at least fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power represented by the voting securities of the Company or such surviving entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation; or (iii) the consummation of the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets.

For the purpose of this section, "Cause" means (i) the failure by Optionee to substantially perform his material duties after a specific written demand for substantial performance is delivered to Optionee by the Board of Directors (ii) the failure (in material respect) by Optionee to follow reasonable policies or directives established by the Board of Directors after written notice to Optionee that Optionee is not following such policies or directives, (iii) bad faith conduct that is materially detrimental to the Company, or (iv) the conviction of Optionee of a felony.

Notwithstanding the above, in the event it is determined by the Company's independent public accountants that the acceleration of vesting of Shares subject to the Option upon a merger pursuant to this Section would preclude accounting for such merger as a pooling of interests, and the Board of Directors desires to approve such merger which requires as a condition to the closing of such transaction that it be accounted for as a pooling of interests, then any such option acceleration shall be null and void, but only if the absence of such option acceleration would preserve the pooling treatment.

Termination Period:

This Option may be exercised for 30 days after termination of Optionee's status as an employee of the Company, or such longer period as may be applicable upon death or Disability of Optionee as provided below, but in no event later than the Term/Expiration Date as provided above.

AGREEMENT

1. Grant of Option. Auspex Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "COMPANY"), hereby grants to the Optionee named in the Notice of Grant (the "OPTIONEE"), an option (the "OPTION") to purchase a total number of shares of Common Stock (the "SHARES") set forth in the Notice of Grant, at the exercise price per share set forth in the Notice of Grant (the "EXERCISE PRICE").

2. Exercise of Option. This Option shall be exercisable during its term in accordance with the Exercise Schedule set out in the Notice of Grant and as follows:

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(i) Right to Exercise.

share.

(a) This Option may not be exercised for a fraction of a

(b) In the event of Optionee's death, disability or other termination of employment, the exercisability of the Option is governed by Sections 6, 7 and 8 below, subject to the limitation contained in subsection 2(i)(c).

(c) In no event may this Option be exercised after the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in the Notice of Grant.

(ii) Method of Exercise. This Option shall be exercisable by written notice (in the form attached as EXHIBIT A) which shall state the election to exercise the Option, the number of Shares in respect of which the Option is being exercised, and such other representations and agreements as to the holder's investment intent with respect to such shares of Common Stock as may be required by the Company. Such written notice shall be signed by the Optionee and shall be delivered in person or by certified mail to the Secretary of the Company. The written notice shall be accompanied by payment of the Exercise Price. This Option shall be deemed to be exercised upon receipt by the Company of such written notice accompanied by the Exercise Price.

No Shares will be issued pursuant to the exercise of an Option unless such issuance and such exercise shall comply with all relevant provisions of law and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed. Assuming such compliance, for income tax purposes the Shares shall be considered transferred to the Optionee on the date on which the Option is exercised with respect to such Shares.

3. Registration of Shares. The Company shall register the shares issuable upon exercise of this Option on a Form S-8 Registration Statement within ninety (90) days after the grant of this Option.

4. Method of Payment. Payment of the Exercise Price shall be by any of

the following, or a combination thereof, at the election of the Optionee:

(i) cash; or

(ii) check; or

(iii) surrender of other shares of Common Stock of the Company which (A) in the case of Shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of a Company option, have been owned by the Optionee for more than six (6) months on the date of surrender, and (B) have a fair market value on the date of surrender equal to the Exercise Price of the Shares as to which the Option is being exercised; or

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(iv) delivery of a properly executed exercise notice together with such other documentation as the Company and the broker, if applicable, shall require to effect an exercise of the Option and delivery to the Company of the sale or loan proceeds required to pay the exercise price.

5. Restrictions on Exercise. This Option may not be exercised if the issuance of such Shares upon such exercise or the method of payment of consideration for such shares would constitute a violation of any applicable federal or state securities or other law or regulation, including any rule under Part 207 of Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("Regulation G") as promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board. As a condition to the exercise of this Option, the Company may require Optionee to make any representation and warranty to the Company as may be required by any applicable law or regulation.

6. Termination of Relationship. In the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company, Optionee may, to the extent otherwise so entitled at the date of such termination (the "TERMINATION DATE"), exercise this Option during the Termination Period set out in the Notice of Grant. To the extent that Optionee was not entitled to exercise this Option at the date of such termination, or if Optionee does not exercise this Option within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate.

7. Disability of Optionee. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6 above, in the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company as a result of total and permanent disability (as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code), Optionee may, but only within six (6) months from the date of termination of employment (but in no event later than the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in Section 10 below), exercise the Option to the extent otherwise so entitled at the date of such termination. To the extent that Optionee was not entitled to exercise the Option at the date of termination, or if Optionee does not exercise such Option (to the extent otherwise so entitled) within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate. 8. Death of Optionee. In the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company as a result of the death of Optionee, the Option may be exercised at any time within six (6) months following the date of death (but in no event later than the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in Section 10 below), by Optionee's estate, by a person who acquired the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, or by Optionee's legal representative on behalf of Optionee, but only to the extent the Optionee could exercise the Option at the date of death.

9. Non-Transferability of Option. This Option may not be transferred in any manner otherwise than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised during the lifetime of Optionee only by him or by Optionee's legal representative on behalf of Optionee. The terms of this Option shall be binding upon the executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns of the Optionee.

10. Term of Option. This Option may be exercised only within the term set out in the Notice of Grant, and may be exercised during such term only in accordance with the terms of this Option.

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11. Taxation Upon Exercise of Option. Optionee understands that, upon exercising a nonstatutory Option, he or she will recognize income for tax purposes in an amount equal to the excess of the then fair market value of the Shares over the exercise price. However, the timing of this income recognition may be deferred for up to six months if Optionee is subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). If the Optionee is an employee, the Company will be required to withhold from Optionee's compensation, or collect from Optionee and pay to the applicable taxing authorities an amount equal to a percentage of this compensation income. Additionally, the Optionee may at some point be required to satisfy tax withholding obligations with respect to the disqualifying disposition of an Incentive Stock Option. The Optionee shall satisfy his or her tax withholding obligation arising upon the exercise of this Option out of Optionee's compensation or by payment to the Company.

12. Tax Consequences. Set forth below is a brief summary as of the date of this Option of some of the federal and California tax consequences of exercise of this Option and disposition of the Shares. THIS SUMMARY IS NECESSARILY INCOMPLETE, AND THE TAX LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. OPTIONEE SHOULD CONSULT A TAX ADVISER BEFORE EXERCISING THIS OPTION OR DISPOSING OF THE SHARES.

(i) Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Option. There may be a regular federal income tax liability and California income tax liability upon the exercise of the Option. The Optionee will be treated as having received

compensation income (taxable at ordinary income tax rates) equal to the excess, if any, of the fair market value of the Shares on the date of exercise over the Exercise Price. If Optionee is an employee, the Company will be required to withhold from Optionee's compensation or collect from Optionee and pay to the applicable taxing authorities an amount equal to a percentage of this compensation income at the time of exercise.

(ii) Disposition of Shares. In the case of an Nonstatutory Stock Option, if Shares are held for at least one year, any gain realized on disposition of the Shares will be treated as long-term capital gain for federal and California income tax purposes.

13. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Change of Control.

(i) Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of shares of Common Stock covered by this Option, as well as the Exercise Price, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company. The conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to this Option.

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(ii) Dissolution or Liquidation. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Company shall notify Optionee as soon as practicable prior to the effective date of such proposed transaction. Optionee shall have the right to exercise this Option until fifteen (15) days prior to such transaction as to all of the Shares covered hereby, including Shares as to which the Option would not otherwise be exercisable. To the extent it has not been previously exercised, this Option will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action.

> AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Dennis Dunnigan

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OPTIONEE ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE VESTING OF SHARES PURSUANT TO THE OPTION HEREOF IS EARNED ONLY BY CONTINUING AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COMPANY (NOT THROUGH THE ACT OF BEING HIRED, BEING GRANTED THIS OPTION OR ACQUIRING SHARES HEREUNDER). OPTIONEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT CONFERS UPON OPTIONEE ANY RIGHT WITH RESPECT TO CONTINUATION OF STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COMPANY, NOR SHALL IT INTERFERE IN ANY WAY WITH HIS RIGHT OR THE COMPANY'S RIGHT TO TERMINATE HIS STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE.

Optionee hereby accepts this Option subject to all of the terms and provisions thereof. Optionee has reviewed this Option in its entirety, has had an opportunity to obtain the advice of counsel prior to executing this Option and fully understands all provisions of the Option. Optionee hereby agrees to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Company upon any questions arising under this Option.

Dated: November 1, 2000

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EXHIBIT A

EMPLOYEE OPTION GRANT

EXERCISE NOTICE

Auspex Systems, Inc. 2300 Central Expressway Santa Clara, CA 95050 Attention:

(the "OPTION AGREEMENT").

2. Representations of Optionee. Optionee acknowledges that Optionee has received, read and understood the Option Agreement and agrees to abide by and be bound by its terms and conditions.

3. Rights as Shareholder. Until the stock certificate evidencing such Shares is issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a shareholder shall exist with respect to the optioned Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Option. The Company shall issue (or cause to be issued) such stock certificate promptly after the Option is exercised. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the stock certificate is issued, except as provided in Section 13 of the Option Agreement.

Optionee shall enjoy rights as a stockholder until such time as Optionee disposes of the Shares. Upon such exercise, Optionee shall have no further rights as a holder of the Shares so purchased except the right to receive payment for the Shares so purchased in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and Optionee shall forthwith cause the certificate(s) evidencing the Shares so purchased to be surrendered to the Company for transfer or cancellation.

4. Tax Consultation. Optionee understands that Optionee may suffer adverse tax consequences as a result of Optionee's purchase or disposition of the Shares. Optionee represents that Optionee has consulted with any tax consultants Optionee deems advisable in connection with the purchase or disposition of the Shares and that Optionee is not relying on the Company for any tax advice.

5. Successors and Assigns. The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement to single or multiple assignees, and this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer herein set forth, this

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Agreement shall be binding upon Optionee and his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

6. Interpretation. Any dispute regarding the interpretation of this Agreement shall be submitted by Optionee or by the Company forthwith to the Company's Board of Directors or the committee thereof that administers the option grants, which shall review such dispute at its next regular meeting. The resolution of such a dispute by the Board or committee shall be final and binding on the Company and on Optionee.

7. Governing Law; Severability. This Agreement shall be governed by and

construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California excluding that body of law pertaining to conflicts of law. Should any provision of this Agreement be determined by a court of law to be illegal or unenforceable, the other provisions shall nevertheless remain effective and shall remain enforceable.

8. Notices. Any notice required or permitted hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be deemed effectively given upon personal delivery or upon deposit in the United States mail by certified mail, with postage and fees prepaid, addressed to the other party at its address as shown on this notice, or to such other address as such party may designate in writing from time to time to the other party.

9. Further Instruments. The parties agree to execute such further instruments and to take such further action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

10. Delivery of Payment. Optionee herewith delivers to the Company the full Exercise Price for the Shares.

11. Entire Agreement. The Notice of Grant/Option Agreement are incorporated herein by reference. This Agreement, the Option Agreement and the Investment Representation Statement constitute the entire agreement of the parties and supersede in their entirety all prior undertakings and agreements of the Company and Optionee with respect to the subject matter hereof, and is governed by California law except for that body of law pertaining to conflict of laws.

Submitted by:	Accepted by:
OPTIONEE:	AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC.
	By:
	Its:
(Signature)	

Address:

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AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT DATED AS OF JULY 3, 2000

1. NOTICE OF STOCK OPTION GRANT

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You have been granted an option to purchase Common Stock of the Company, subject to the terms and conditions of this Option Agreement, as follows:

Date of Grant	July 3, 2000
Vesting Commencement Date	June 1, 2000
Exercise Price Per Share	4.9375
Total Number of Shares Granted	200,000
Total Exercise Price	\$987 , 500
Term/Expiration Date	July 3, 2010

Vesting Schedule:

This Option may be exercised, in whole or in part, in accordance with the following schedule:

The Option shall vest and become exercisable as to 1/24th of the Shares subject to the Option at the end of each of the 12 one-month periods immediately following the Vesting Commencement Date, and as to 1/2 of the Shares subject to the Option on the two-year anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date, provided that Optionee's status as an employee of the Company has not terminated prior to any such date.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Option shall vest and become fully

exercisable upon a Change of Control.

For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) Any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing fifty percent (50%) or more of the total voting power represented by the Company's then outstanding voting securities; (ii) the consummation of a merger or consolidation of the Company with any other corporation, other than a merger or consolidation which would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent at least fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power represented by the voting securities of the Company or such surviving entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation; or (iii) the consummation of the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets.

Notwithstanding the above, in the event it is determined by the Company's independent public accountants that the acceleration of vesting of Shares subject to the Option upon a merger pursuant to this Section would preclude accounting for such merger as a pooling of interests, and the Board of Directors desires to approve such merger which requires as a condition to the closing of such transaction that it be accounted for as a pooling of interests, then any such option acceleration shall be null and void, but only if the absence of such option acceleration would preserve the pooling treatment.

Termination Period:

This Option may be exercised for 30 days after termination of Optionee's status as an employee of the Company, or such longer period as may be applicable upon death or Disability of Optionee as provided below, but in no event later than the Term/Expiration Date as provided above.

AGREEMENT

1. Grant of Option. Auspex Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "COMPANY"), hereby grants to the Optionee named in the Notice of Grant (the "OPTIONEE"), an option (the "OPTION") to purchase a total number of shares of Common Stock (the "SHARES") set forth in the Notice of Grant, at the exercise price per share set forth in the Notice of Grant (the "EXERCISE PRICE").

2. Exercise of Option. This Option shall be exercisable during its term in accordance with the Exercise Schedule set out in the Notice of Grant and as follows:

(i) Right to Exercise.

(a) This Option may not be exercised for a fraction of a share.

(b) In the event of Optionee's death, disability or other termination of employment, the exercisability of the Option is governed by Sections 6, 7 and 8 below, subject to the limitation contained in subsection 2(i)(c).

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(c) In no event may this Option be exercised after the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in the Notice of Grant.

(ii) Method of Exercise. This Option shall be exercisable by written notice (in the form attached as EXHIBIT A) which shall state the election to exercise the Option, the number of Shares in respect of which the Option is being exercised, and such other representations and agreements as to the holder's investment intent with respect to such shares of Common Stock as may be required by the Company. Such written notice shall be signed by the Optionee and shall be delivered in person or by certified mail to the Secretary of the Company. The written notice shall be accompanied by payment of the Exercise Price. This Option shall be deemed to be exercised upon receipt by the Company of such written notice accompanied by the Exercise Price.

No Shares will be issued pursuant to the exercise of an Option unless such issuance and such exercise shall comply with all relevant provisions of law and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed. Assuming such compliance, for income tax purposes the Shares shall be considered transferred to the Optionee on the date on which the Option is exercised with respect to such Shares.

3. Registration of Shares. The Company shall register the shares issuable upon exercise of this Option on a Form S-8 Registration Statement within ninety (90) days after the grant of this Option.

4. Method of Payment. Payment of the Exercise Price shall be by any of the following, or a combination thereof, at the election of the Optionee:

(i) cash; or

(ii) check; or

(iii) surrender of other shares of Common Stock of the Company which(A) in the case of Shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of a Company option,have been owned by the Optionee for more than six (6) months on the date of

surrender, and (B) have a fair market value on the date of surrender equal to the Exercise Price of the Shares as to which the Option is being exercised; or

(iv) delivery of a properly executed exercise notice together with such other documentation as the Company and the broker, if applicable, shall require to effect an exercise of the Option and delivery to the Company of the sale or loan proceeds required to pay the exercise price.

5. Restrictions on Exercise. This Option may not be exercised if the issuance of such Shares upon such exercise or the method of payment of consideration for such shares would constitute a violation of any applicable federal or state securities or other law or regulation, including any rule under Part 207 of Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("Regulation G") as promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board. As a condition to the exercise of this Option, the

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Company may require Optionee to make any representation and warranty to the Company as may be required by any applicable law or regulation.

6. Termination of Relationship. In the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company, Optionee may, to the extent otherwise so entitled at the date of such termination (the "TERMINATION DATE"), exercise this Option during the Termination Period set out in the Notice of Grant. To the extent that Optionee was not entitled to exercise this Option at the date of such termination, or if Optionee does not exercise this Option within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate.

7. Disability of Optionee. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6 above, in the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company as a result of total and permanent disability (as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code), Optionee may, but only within six (6) months from the date of termination of employment (but in no event later than the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in Section 10 below), exercise the Option to the extent otherwise so entitled at the date of such termination. To the extent that Optionee was not entitled to exercise the Option at the date of termination, or if Optionee does not exercise such Option (to the extent otherwise so entitled) within the time specified herein, the Option shall terminate.

8. Death of Optionee. In the event of termination of Optionee's continuous status as an employee of the Company as a result of the death of Optionee, the Option may be exercised at any time within six (6) months following the date of death (but in no event later than the date of expiration of the term of this Option as set forth in Section 10 below), by Optionee's estate, by a person who acquired the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance, or by Optionee's legal representative on behalf of Optionee, but

only to the extent the Optionee could exercise the Option at the date of death.

9. Non-Transferability of Option. This Option may not be transferred in any manner otherwise than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised during the lifetime of Optionee only by him or by Optionee's legal representative on behalf of Optionee. The terms of this Option shall be binding upon the executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns of the Optionee.

10. Term of Option. This Option may be exercised only within the term set out in the Notice of Grant, and may be exercised during such term only in accordance with the terms of this Option.

11. Taxation Upon Exercise of Option. Optionee understands that, upon exercising a nonstatutory Option, he or she will recognize income for tax purposes in an amount equal to the excess of the then fair market value of the Shares over the exercise price. However, the timing of this income recognition may be deferred for up to six months if Optionee is subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). If the Optionee is an employee, the Company will be required to withhold from Optionee's compensation, or collect from Optionee and pay to the applicable taxing authorities an amount equal to a percentage of this

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compensation income. Additionally, the Optionee may at some point be required to satisfy tax withholding obligations with respect to the disqualifying disposition of an Incentive Stock Option. The Optionee shall satisfy his or her tax withholding obligation arising upon the exercise of this Option out of Optionee's compensation or by payment to the Company.

12. Tax Consequences. Set forth below is a brief summary as of the date of this Option of some of the federal and California tax consequences of exercise of this Option and disposition of the Shares. THIS SUMMARY IS NECESSARILY INCOMPLETE, AND THE TAX LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. OPTIONEE SHOULD CONSULT A TAX ADVISER BEFORE EXERCISING THIS OPTION OR DISPOSING OF THE SHARES.

(i) Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Option. There may be a regular federal income tax liability and California income tax liability upon the exercise of the Option. The Optionee will be treated as having received compensation income (taxable at ordinary income tax rates) equal to the excess, if any, of the fair market value of the Shares on the date of exercise over the Exercise Price. If Optionee is an employee, the Company will be required to withhold from Optionee's compensation or collect from Optionee and pay to the applicable taxing authorities an amount equal to a percentage of this compensation income at the time of exercise. (ii) Disposition of Shares. In the case of an Nonstatutory Stock Option, if Shares are held for at least one year, any gain realized on disposition of the Shares will be treated as long-term capital gain for federal and California income tax purposes.

13. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Merger or Asset Sale.

(i) Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of shares of Common Stock covered by this Option, as well as the Exercise Price, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company. The conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to this Option.

(ii) Dissolution or Liquidation. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Company shall notify Optionee as soon as practicable prior to the effective date of such proposed transaction. Optionee shall have the right to exercise this Option until fifteen (15) days prior to such transaction as to all of the Shares covered hereby, including Shares as to which the Option would not otherwise be exercisable. To the extent it has not been previously exercised, this Option will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action.

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AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC. a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Dennis Dunnigan

Title: Chief Operating Officer

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OPTIONEE ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE VESTING OF SHARES PURSUANT TO THE OPTION HEREOF IS EARNED ONLY BY CONTINUING AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COMPANY (NOT THROUGH THE ACT OF BEING HIRED, BEING GRANTED THIS OPTION OR ACQUIRING SHARES HEREUNDER). OPTIONEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT CONFERS UPON OPTIONEE ANY RIGHT WITH RESPECT TO CONTINUATION OF STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COMPANY, NOR SHALL IT INTERFERE IN ANY WAY WITH HIS RIGHT OR THE COMPANY'S RIGHT TO TERMINATE HIS STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE.

Optionee hereby accepts this Option subject to all of the terms and provisions thereof. Optionee has reviewed this Option in its entirety, has had an opportunity to obtain the advice of counsel prior to executing this Option and fully understands all provisions of the Option. Optionee hereby agrees to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Company upon any questions arising under this Option.

Dated:	December	28,	2000	/s/ E	Paul	Loucas
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EXHIBIT A

EMPLOYEE OPTION GRANT

EXERCISE NOTICE

Auspex Systems, Inc. 2300 Central Expressway Santa Clara, CA 95050 Attention:

2. Representations of Optionee. Optionee acknowledges that Optionee has received, read and understood the Option Agreement and agrees to abide by and be

bound by its terms and conditions.

3. Rights as Shareholder. Until the stock certificate evidencing such Shares is issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a shareholder shall exist with respect to the optioned Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Option. The Company shall issue (or cause to be issued) such stock certificate promptly after the Option is exercised. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the stock certificate is issued, except as provided in Section 13 of the Option Agreement.

Optionee shall enjoy rights as a stockholder until such time as Optionee disposes of the Shares. Upon such exercise, Optionee shall have no further rights as a holder of the Shares so purchased except the right to receive payment for the Shares so purchased in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and Optionee shall forthwith cause the certificate(s) evidencing the Shares so purchased to be surrendered to the Company for transfer or cancellation.

4. Tax Consultation. Optionee understands that Optionee may suffer adverse tax consequences as a result of Optionee's purchase or disposition of the Shares. Optionee represents that Optionee has consulted with any tax consultants Optionee deems advisable in connection with the purchase or disposition of the Shares and that Optionee is not relying on the Company for any tax advice.

5. Successors and Assigns. The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement to single or multiple assignees, and this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer herein set forth, this

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Agreement shall be binding upon Optionee and his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

6. Interpretation. Any dispute regarding the interpretation of this Agreement shall be submitted by Optionee or by the Company forthwith to the Company's Board of Directors or the committee thereof that administers the option grants, which shall review such dispute at its next regular meeting. The resolution of such a dispute by the Board or committee shall be final and binding on the Company and on Optionee.

7. Governing Law; Severability. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California excluding that body of law pertaining to conflicts of law. Should any provision of this Agreement be determined by a court of law to be illegal or unenforceable, the

other provisions shall nevertheless remain effective and shall remain enforceable.

8. Notices. Any notice required or permitted hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be deemed effectively given upon personal delivery or upon deposit in the United States mail by certified mail, with postage and fees prepaid, addressed to the other party at its address as shown on this notice, or to such other address as such party may designate in writing from time to time to the other party.

9. Further Instruments. The parties agree to execute such further instruments and to take such further action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

10. Delivery of Payment. Optionee herewith delivers to the Company the full Exercise Price for the Shares.

11. Entire Agreement. The Notice of Grant/Option Agreement are incorporated herein by reference. This Agreement, the Option Agreement and the Investment Representation Statement constitute the entire agreement of the parties and supersede in their entirety all prior undertakings and agreements of the Company and Optionee with respect to the subject matter hereof, and is governed by California law except for that body of law pertaining to conflict of laws.

Accepted by:

OPTIONEE:

AUSPEX SYSTEMS, INC.

By:

Its:

(Signature)

Address:

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