DECLARATION AND AFFIRMATION OF BRENDA RAY

I, Brenda Ray, being over 18 year of age and duly sworn, depose and say as follows:

1. I am an employee of the Auburn University Library, and specifically the Document Delivery Unit, located at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama 36849. I am familiar with the policies and procedures of the Library as they relate to the receipt, cataloging, and tracking of books and I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below. I am familiar with these procedures because I have been employed by the Library since 1989, where I began in Binding and Receiving, then moved to Serials, then the Science and Technology Department, then the Architecture Library and finally the Document Delivery Unit. I have held my current position in the Document Delivery Unit for the last 17 years.

2. It is and has been standard operating procedure that when an item is received by the Library, it is received, cataloged, physically processed (spine label with call number, tattle-taped, ownership stamp, etc.). The item would then be stamped with date mark. The item would be made available to patrons within a few days of the item arriving at the library.

3. The Auburn University Library holds an original copy of Electronic Design Volume 45, Issue 27, December 1, 1997. I have been asked for information about Electronic Design specifically when this volume was first made publicly available by the Auburn University Library. From my review of the Library's records, and my knowledge of the Library's standard procedures, this issue of Electronic Design was cataloged and publicly available in the Library by no later than December 20, 1997, and was in current issues, shelved in alphabetical order within a few days after the date of December 20, 1997.

4. In my opinion, the journal Electronic Design was cataloged and available at the Auburn University Library on December 20, 1997 based on the date stamp on a preliminary page inside this volume of Electronic Design. I have not seen any indication that this volume of Electronic Design would have been an exception to the Library's standard practice. The Library maintains a searchable and publicly accessible catalog of its publications. Therefore, as of December 31, 1997 any member of the public could have located this volume of Electronic Design by searching our catalog by the title, call number, and/or subject matter.

5. Exhibit A to this Declaration is a true and accurate copy of the cover, table of contents, preliminary page with date stamp and the article "MCNS/DOCSIS MAC Clears A Path For The Cable-Modem Invasion" by Lee Goldberg on pages 69-70, 74, 78, 80 from the journal Electronic Design Volume 45, Issue 27, December 1, 1997, ISSN 0013-4872 from the Auburn University Libraries collection.

I declare and affirm under penalty of perjury that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code. If called to testify, I could and would competently testify under oath to the facts set forth above. Unless otherwise noted, the facts and statements in this Declaration are based on my personal knowledge and my review of the documents discussed herein, and I am competent to testify to these facts.

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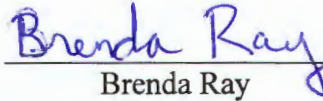231 Mell Street
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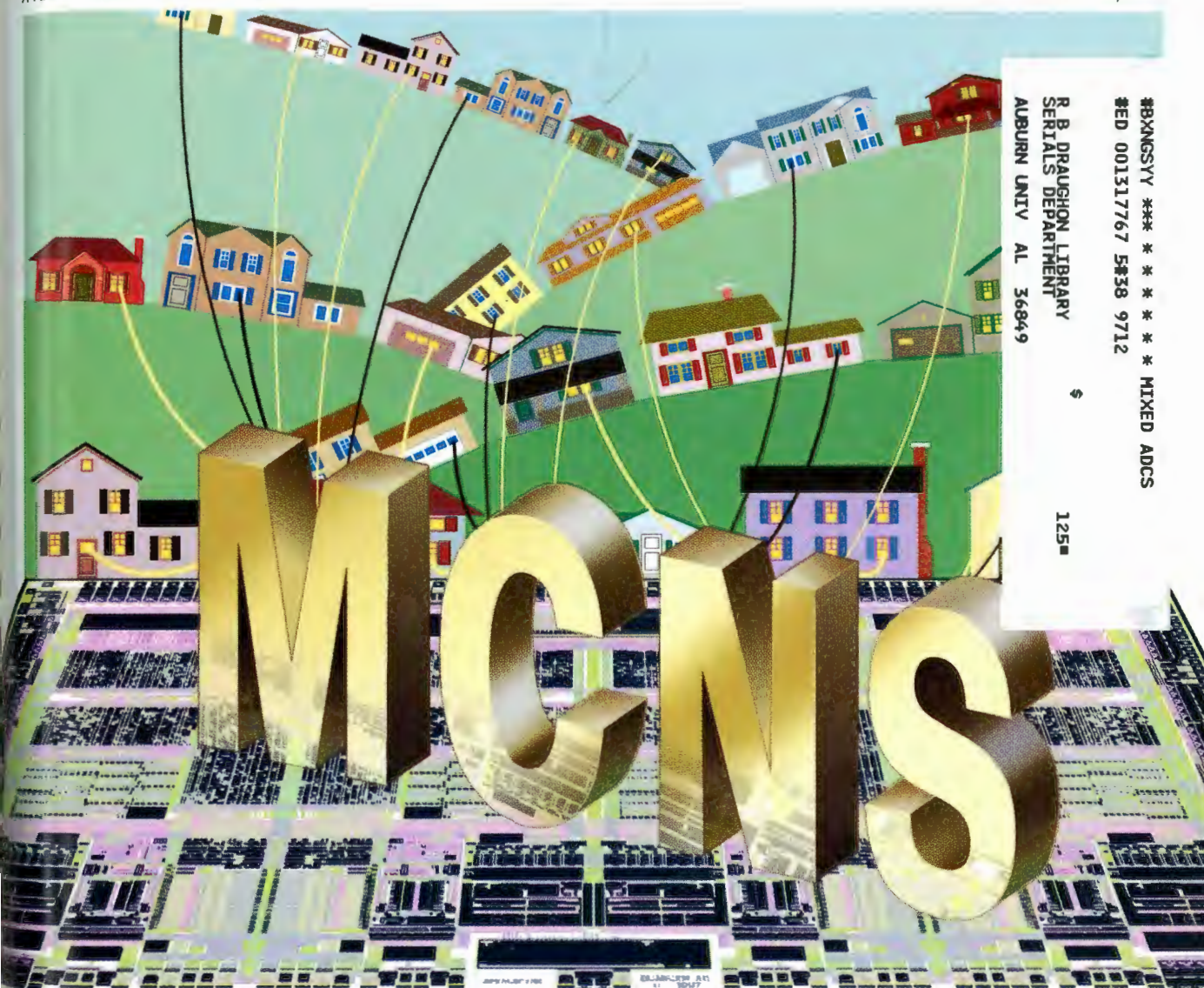
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Exhibit A

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