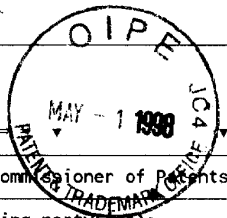


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For the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, George Michael Hornick, an individual residing at 545 Country Meadows, Anderson, South Carolina 29624, does hereby assign, sell and set over to Ryobi North America, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and having a place of business at 101 Grace Drive, Easley, South Carolina, 29640, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, both domestic and foreign, in and to the inventions and discoveries in

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And I hereby represent and warrant that I have not granted any rights inconsistent with the rights granted herein.

George Michael Hornick  
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On this 22 day of April, 1998, personally appeared before me, George Michael Hornick, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Pamela D. Green  
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