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ASSIGNMENT

I, Clinton W. Stallard III, of 5 El Dorado Court, Hampton, Virginia, U.S.A., a citizen of the United States of America, have made an invention entitled Internal Combustion Catapult.

Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, organized under the laws of Virginia, having its office at 4101 Washington Avenue, Newport News, Virginia 23607, wishes to confirm its interest in this invention.

Therefore, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Clinton W. Stallard III, assign to Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company (hereinafter "NNS") my entire right and title to the invention:

- as described and claimed in an application for a U.S. patent filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Clinton W. Stallard III on November 10, 1997;
- together with the right to file applications for patents on the same invention in all foreign countries, including all rights of priority conferred by any treaty or international convention to which the United States of America is a party;
- and any and all patents, whether U.S. or foreign, that may be granted for said invention, including any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions,

reissues, extensions or renewals of the patents
(hereinafter "Patents");

the invention and the Patents to be owned by NNS and its legal
representatives and successors in interest and assigns, to the full
end of the term of any of the Patents granted.

I further agree that I or my legal representatives will
execute and deliver any and all application papers, assignments,
powers of attorney and other instruments that NNS may deem
necessary or advisable to secure Patents for the invention and to
vest in NNS the full title to any Patents.

Executed by me this 27th day of April, 1998

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Clinton W. Stallard III