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WHEREAS, we Timothy A. Gideon, residing at 5315 Lynnwood Drive, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906, Dean F. Bartolone residing at 114 Steeplechase Court, Lafayette, Indiana 47905, and James A. Smith residing at 24 North Bolt Street, Otterbein, Indiana 47970, have invented certain improvements in:

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described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of The United States of America thereon, said application having been executed by us on even date herewith; and,

WHEREAS, Fluidrive, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business at 9098 West 800 S., Brookston, Indiana 47923, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said application for Letters Patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, Timothy A. Gideon, Dean F. Bartolone and James A. Smith, by these presents do assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said Fluidrive, Inc., its successors and assigns, the full, entire and exclusive right, title and interest, for the territory of the United States of America and for all foreign countries, in and to said invention, as described in the application identified above, and in and to said application and any divisions or continuations or continuations-in-part thereof or substitutes therefor which may be filed, and in and to any patents or reissues, renewals or extensions thereof which may be filed on said application in countries

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foreign to the United States of America and any patents granted thereon; said invention, applications, and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by said Fluidrive, Inc., for its own use and behoof and for its successors, heirs, or assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment and sale not been made.

We hereby authorize and request the Patent and Trademark Office Officials in the United States of America and the Patent Office Officials of any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted to said Fluidrive, Inc., as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and enjoyment of said Fluidrive, Inc., its successors and assigns.

Further, we agree to execute all papers and to give such lawful testimony and to perform such other lawful acts as said Fluidrive, Inc., its successors and assigns may require to enable it or them to procure Letters Patent on said invention or reissues or extensions thereof in the United States of America and/or in any foreign country, and/or to hold, enforce or convey said Letters Patent, reissues or extensions.

Executed this 26 day of

Timothy A. Gideon

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