



**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, JAMES L. LAYNE, of Bowling Green, Kentucky, MICHAEL D. MCDANIEL of Glasgow, Kentucky, MARK T. JOHNSON of Glasgow, Kentucky and WENDELL S. BELL, of Smiths Grove, Kentucky, have made a certain new and useful invention as set forth in an application for United States Letters Patent executed by me the 25th day of February, 1998, entitled MODULAR LINK CONVEYOR WITH I-BEAM GUIDE RAIL filed concurrently herewith;

AND WHEREAS, SPAN TECH CORPORATION, a corporation of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and having a place of business at P.O. BOX 369, GLASGOW, KENTUCKY 42141, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto SPAN TECH CORPORATION, its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as set forth in the above-mentioned application, and in and to any and all patents of the United States and foreign countries which may be issued for said invention;

UPON SAID CONSIDERATIONS, we hereby agree with the said assignee that we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that we will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration but at the expense of the said assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's

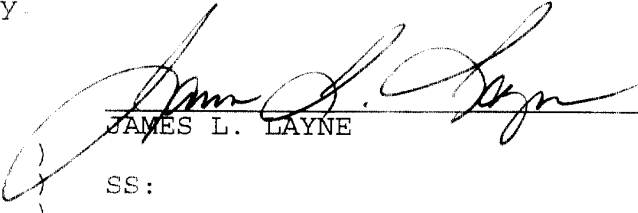
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enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reexamined, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and by executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the assigns and legal representatives of assignor and assignee;

AND we request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued for said invention to said SPAN TECH CORPORATION, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, as the sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said patent and the invention covered thereby.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

  
JAMES L. LAYNE

SS:

COUNTY OF Barren

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February,

1998, before me personally appeared JAMES L. LAYNE, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

My commission expires:

My Commission Expires November 14, 2001

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Michael D. McDaniel  
MICHAEL D. MCDANIEL

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF

Barren

SS:

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February,

1998, before me personally appeared MICHAEL D. MCDANIEL, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and

purposes therein set forth.

My commission expires:

My Commission Expires November 14, 2001.

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Regenia Blake  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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Mark T. Johnson  
MARK T. JOHNSON

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF

Barren

SS:

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February,

1998, before me personally appeared MARK T. JOHNSON, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

My commission expires:

My Commission Expires November 14, 2001.

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Regenia Blake  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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Wendell S Bell

WENDELL S. BELL

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF Barren

SS:

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February,

1998, before me personally appeared WENDELL S. BELL, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

My commission expires: Commission Expires November 14, 2001

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Regenia Drake  
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This application referred to above as Docket No. 924-021, was filed in the United States Patent Office on March 3, 1998, and was given Serial No. 09/033,572.

This Insertion made by me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1998.

J. Ralph King  
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