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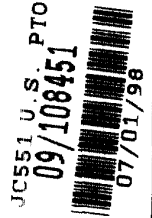
Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Rodney A. Throckmorton
Mark W. Spriggle
Jeffrey D. Palmer

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Siecor Operations, LLC
a North Carolina Limited Liability Company
800 17th Street, N.W.
Hickory, North Carolina 28601



Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ___ Yes X No

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment
- Merger
- Security Agreement
- Change of Name
- Other _____

Execution Date: June 25, 1998

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4. Application Serial No. _____ Patent No. _____

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: June 25, 1998

Additional numbers attached? ___ Yes X No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

K. McNeill Taylor, Jr., Esq.
Registration No. 30,379
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Hickory, North Carolina 28603-0489

6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 40.00

- Enclosed
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number: 16-0605

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9. Statement and signature

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Guy R. Gosnell, Reg. No. 34,610
Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments and document: 4

ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by us, **Rodney A. Throckmorton**, citizen of United States of America, residing at Newton, Catawba County, North Carolina; **Mark W. Spriggle**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina; and **Jeffrey D. Palmer**, citizen of United States of America, residing at Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, respectively;

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, we are the joint inventors of certain new and useful improvements in **A FIELD INSTALLABLE MULTIFIBER CONNECTOR** for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed by us concurrently herewith, and

WHEREAS, **Siecor Operations, LLC**, a North Carolina limited liability company having a principal place of business at Hickory, Catawba County, North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries;

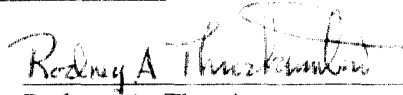
NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

We hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.


We further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, we possess full title to the invention and application above-mentioned, and that we have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

We further covenant and agree to bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns promptly to communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us relating to said invention, to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said invention, to execute any additional papers which may be requested to confirm the right of the assignee, its representatives, successors, or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for the said invention in all countries and to vest in the assignee complete title to the said invention and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this 25 day of JUNE, 1998.



Rodney A. Throckmorton (SEAL)



Mark W. Spriggle (SEAL)



Jeffrey D. Palmer (SEAL)

STATE OF North Carolina)
) ss:
COUNTY OF Catawba)

Before me personally appeared Rodney A. Throckmorton, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes therein stated,

this 25 day of June, 1998.

SEAL Margaret P. Herman
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: November 12, 2000

STATE OF North Carolina)
) ss:
COUNTY OF Catawba)

Before me personally appeared Mark W. Spriggle, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes therein stated,

this 25 day of June, 1998.

SEAL Margaret P. Herman
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: November 12, 2000

STATE OF Texas)
) ss:
COUNTY OF Tarrant)

Before me personally appeared Jeffrey D. Palmer, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes therein stated,

this 25 day of June, 1998.

SEAL Wanda J. Smith
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: April 2, 2002
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