

A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, We, **Markus Leifheit**, Sternstrasse 9, 85452 Moosinning, Germany and **Marc Winterhalder**, Nikolausstrasse 8, 80805 München, Germany; respectively, have made new and useful improvements in a

**Gas Generator and Method for Operating a
Gas Generator**


WHEREAS, **TRW Airbag Systems GmbH & Co. KG**, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, having its place of business at Wernher-von-Braun-Strasse 1, 84544 Aschau am Inn, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and all patents therefor to be obtained in the United States of America and countries foreign to the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for valuable considerations to us paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, We, the said **Markus Leifheit** and **Marc Winterhalder**, do hereby assign, sell and set over unto the said **TRW Airbag Systems GmbH & Co. KG**, its successors or assigns; the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid improvements and any and all inventions pertaining thereto, the application for United States patent executed by us on the 25th day of May, 1998, and the day 25th of May, 1998, respectively, all patents granted therefor in the United States of America and elsewhere, and the right to apply for patents therefor in all countries foreign to the United States and to claim for such applications the priority of United States applications, and We hereby request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue such pat-

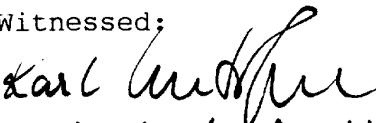
ents to the said TRW Airbag Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns; and We further agree to execute such other applications and other instruments and do all other acts as may be deemed necessary by the said TRW Airbag Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns in order fully to secure, protect, and preserve its rights to the said improvements and to obtain patents therefor in the United States of America and all countries foreign to the United States, all without further consideration but at the expense of the said TRW Airbag Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns.


Executed this 25th day of May, 1998.



Markus Leifheit


Marc Winterhalder

Witnessed:


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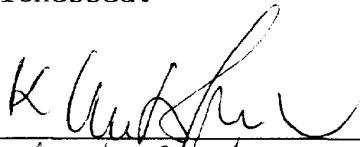
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