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Patent Assignment Cover Sheet

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TO:

The Commissioner of Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231 ATTN: Assignment Branch

Please find enclosed for recording a Patent Assignment identified as follows:

1. Conveying Party: ("Assignor") Buckeye Florida, Limited Partnership, a Delaware

limited partnership.

2. Receiving Party: ("Assignee") Buckeye Florida Corporation, a Delaware

corporation, having an address of P.O. Box 80407, Memphis,

Tennessee 38108-0407.

3. The Assignment conveys all rights, title, and interest in and to the patents identified

therein and herein nunc pro tunc as of May 1, 1996.

4. The Assignment should be recorded against the following patents:

<u>Title</u> <u>U.S. Patent No.</u>

High Yield Fiber Sheets; Defibration 4,247,362

Wood Pulp

Tufted Material Having a Laminated 4,294,876

Film Primary Tufting Substrate

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- 5. Correspondence concerning this request should be sent to: Grady M. Garrison, Esq., Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell, 20th Floor, First Tennessee Building, Memphis, Tennessee 38103
- 6. This request concerns two (2) patents, and a total fee of \$80.00 is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment, or credit any refund that may be due to Deposit Account No. 08-1629.
- 7. The Assignee is domiciled in the United States.
- 8. The enclosed Assignment was signed August 17, 1998. It is effective as of May 1, 1996.
- 9. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the information contained on this cover sheet is true and correct and any copy submitted is a true copy of the original document.

Respectfully submitted,

Grady M. Garrison Attorney for Assignee

Date: 8/27/98

NUNC PRO TUNC ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT RIGHTS, TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND KNOW-HOW

WHEREAS, **Buckeye Florida**, **Limited Partnership**, a limited partnership organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware having an address of Route 3, Box 260, Perry, Florida 32347 (hereinafter, "**Assignor**"), did obtain sole and exclusive ownership of all right, title and interest in and to certain inventions ("Inventions") and Letters Patent of the United States and Canada (the "Patents") as identified in Schedule "A" attached hereto;

WHEREAS, Assignor did obtain sole and exclusive ownership and possession of certain knowledge, trade secrets, technical and marketing information pertaining to products embodying the Inventions and other products (the "Products");

WHEREAS, it was intended that all rights, title and interest in and to the Inventions, Patents, Products, together with all knowledge, trade secrets, technical and marketing information pertaining to said Products, were to be assigned to **Buckeye Florida Corporation**, a Delaware corporation having an address of P.O. Box 80407, Memphis, Tennessee 38108-0407 (hereinafter "Assignee") as of May 1, 1996;

WHEREAS, Assignor wishes to confirm Assignee's ownership of all rights, title and interest in and to the Inventions, Patents and Products, and all knowledge, trade secrets, technical and marketing information pertaining to the Products as of May 1, 1996;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby confirms that it intended and has sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Assignee, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey to Assignee, nunc pro tunc as of May 1, 1996, all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Inventions, and in and to the Patents as identified in Schedule "A" attached hereto, including any reissues of said Patents, together with all rights, interests and obligations running toward or granted to Assignor under any previously executed assignment agreements between the inventors of the Inventions embodied in said Patents or applications therefor and Assignor, or any of its predecessors in title, including the sole right to make, to have made, use and sell the Inventions embodied in said Patents, along with the right to sublicense such rights, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee for its own use and enjoyment, and for the use and enjoyment of its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which each of the Patents is granted or reissued as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment had not been made, together with any and all claims for damages by reason of past infringement of said Patents, with right to sue for and collect the same for its own use and enjoyment, and for the use and enjoyment of its successors, assigns and other legal representatives.

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Assignor hereby confirms that it intended and has sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Assignee, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey to Assignee, nunc pro tunc as of May 1, 1996, any and all of Assignor's rights in and to the Inventions, and any and all of Assignor's foreign rights in all patent granting countries of the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents for said Inventions in its name in said countries under the terms of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, together with all of Assignor's rights of priority and all other rights under any and all international agreements to which the United States adheres.

Assignor hereby confirms that it intended and has sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Assignee, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey to Assignee, nunc pro tunc as of May 1, 1996, all knowledge, trade secrets, technical information and marketing information relating to the Products, including all information in the form of specifications, data, quality and performance standards, and other data related to the manufacture, improvement and marketing of the Products.

Assignor hereby consents to and requests recordation of this transfer and further authorizes and requests that all official documents and communications relating to said Patents or the applications therefor, issue and deliver to Assignee, its attorneys agents, successors or assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has caused this Assignment to be duly executed this August 17 day of June, 1998.

Buckeye Florida, Limited Partnership

By: Buckeye Florida Conposition
Its General Partner

By: Sheile Jordan Cunninghan

Name: Stein Jordan Cunninghan

Title: Secretary

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STATE OF <u>Fennessee</u> COUNTY OF <u>Snelby</u>

Personally appeared before me, Maria J. Clark, a Notary Public in and for said State and County duly commissioned and qualified, Strip Jordan Cannage with whom I am personally acquainted, and who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Nunc Pro Tunc Assignment of Patent Rights, Technical Information and Know-how for the purposes therein contained, and who further acknowledged that he is the scretary of Buckeye Florida, Limited Partnership, a limited Delaware partnership (the "Assignor") and is authorized by the Assignor or by its Constituent, the Constituent being authorized by the Assignor, to execute this instrument on behalf of the Assignor.

WITNESS my hand, at office, this 17th day of June, 1998.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Feb. 27, 2002



SCHEDULE "A"

BUCKEYE CELLULOSE CORPORATION

U.S. PATENTS

Title	PATENT #	Issue Date
HIGH YIELD FIBER SHEETS; DEFIBRATION, WOOD PULP	4,247,362	01/27/81
TUFTED MATERIAL HAVING A LAMINATED FILM PRIMARY TUFTING SUBSTRATE	4,294,876	10/13/81

CANADIAN PATENTS

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HIGH YIELD FIBER SHEETS	1,131,959	09/21/82

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Recordation of assignments RE:

against U.S. Patent Nos. 4,247,362, 4,294,876, 4,252,761, and 5,026,569

Please record the enclosed documents with attached Cover Sheets in order as follows:

- 1. Record first: Assignment from Buckeye Florida, Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership, to Buckeye Florida Corporation, a Delaware corporation, as of May 1, 1996.
- 2. **Record second:** Assignment from Buckeye Florida Corporation, a Delaware corporation, to Buckeye Technologies, Inc. (f/k/a Buckeye Cellulose Corporation), a Delaware corporation, as of May 1, 1996.
- 3. **Record third:** Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Buckeye Cellulose Corporation, a Delaware corporation, changing its name to Buckeye Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, effective November 1, 1997.
- **Record fourth:** Assignment from Buckeye Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, to 4. BKI Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation, as of May 1, 1996...

The referenced assignment documents, along with required assignment cover sheets and fees (three checks in the amount of \$80.00 each and one check in the amount of \$160.00) are enclosed herewith.

Sincerely,

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