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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, (1) George D. Chandley, (2) Ronald E. Erickson and (3) Paul J. Tousignant hereinafter called "ASSIGNORS", residing at (1) 3 Upper Flanders Road, Amherst, NH; (2) 498 Federal Hill Road, Milford, NH; and (3) 145 W. River Drive, Manchester, NH, have invented certain new and useful improvements in MELTING OF REACTIVE METALLIC MATERIALS for which application Serial No. 09/020 455 for United States Letters Patent was filed February 9, 1998; and WHEREAS, HITCHINER MANUFACTURING CO., INC., hereinafter called "ASSIGNEE", a corporation of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, having a place of business at , is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries. NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and other valuable consideration, we the ASSIGNORS have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right to said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof. We hereby authorize and request the Patent Office Officials in the United States and in any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said ASSIGNEE as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns. FURTHER, we agree that we will communicate to said ASSIGNEE or its representative any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to said ASSIGNEE, make all rightful oaths or declarations, and generally cooperate with said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries. NESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 12 day of MAY, 1998. the presence of: Signed: Ropald E. Erickson Signed: Paul J. Tousignant STATE OF 2016 COUNTY OF Hillsborough On this /2 th day of , 1998 personally appeared before me the aboveredly, Royald Esickson & Paul Tousanast, to me known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument. **SEAL** 

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