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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, JOHN STATON, of Bristol, Connecticut, have invented a certain improvement in Design for a PRUNER, for which application for Design Letters Patent of the United States was filed in the United States Patent Office on August 14, 1998;

WHEREAS, THE STANLEY WORKS, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Connecticut, and having its principal office and place of business at New Britain, Connecticut, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I, the said JOHN STATON, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said THE STANLEY WORKS, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and all foreign countries as described in the aforesaid application entitled PRUNER as filed in the United States Patent Office, preparatory to obtaining Design Patent of the United States therefor, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and said invention, application and Design Patent to be held and enjoyed by said THE STANLEY WORKS, for its own use and behoof and for its legal representatives, to the full end of the term

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for which said Design Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made;

AND I HEREBY agree to transfer a like request of said assignee, interest upon its successors, assigns and legal representatives, and without further remuneration, in and to improvements and applications for patents based thereon, growing out of or related to the said invention, and to execute any papers by the said successors, assigns and assignee, its representatives, deemed essential to the assignee's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred;

Agreeing, furthermore, upon request of said assignee and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by the said assignee for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in said assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorizes Cushman Darby & Cushman Intellectual Property Group of Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP, to insert hereon any further identification necessary or desirable for recordation of this document.

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Executed this 3 day of September

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JOHN STATON

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