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Title: APPLICATION OF DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATINGS CUTTING

SURFACES OF METAL CUTTING TOOLS

TO: **Commissioner of Patents**

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WHEREAS, we, Geoffrey Dearnaley, a citizen of the United Kingdom residing at 19826 Wittenburg, San Antonio, James Lankford, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing at 5415 King Richard, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, and James H. Arps, a citizen of the United States residing at 6410 Lost Arbor, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas are joint inventors of new and useful improvements in APPLICATION OF DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATINGS CUTTING SURFACES OF METAL CUTTING TOOLS for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent on even date herewith; and WHEREAS, we represent that we are joint owners of said invention and application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, SOUTHWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE, hereinafter called "ASSIGNEE," a Texas Corporation having its principal office at 6220 Culebra Road, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, is desirous of acquiring our right, title and interest in and to the said application and the invention therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon said application or for the invention therein contained;

NOW. THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) lawful money of the United States, and valuable other consideration, to us in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof we hereby acknowledge, we, the said Geoffrey Dearnaley and James Lankford, Jr. have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in and to (a) said invention and worldwide rights therein, including the right to claim the priority date of said application and all

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other rights arising under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property; (b) said application, including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part and substitutions thereof; and (c) all United States and foreign patents which shall issue on said invention, including all reissues, renewals, divisions and extensions thereof; for the United States, its territories and possessions and all foreign countries, including the right to file applications for Letters Patent on said invention in any and all foreign countries, the same to beheld and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and successors, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us, had this Assignment and sale not been made.

We request that any all such Letters Patent for said invention be issued to ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

We covenant and agree that we and our executors or administrators will, at any time upon the request and at the expense of said ASSIGNEE, execute and deliver any and all papers and to all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable, in the opinion of said ASSIGNEE, to enable and assist said ASSIGNEE to (a) obtain Letters Patent, both domestic and foreign, on said invention; (b) establish, maintain and secure title in said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to said invention, application and Letters Patent, including making such title of lawful and public record, and (c) defend, establish or otherwise preserve the validity of said Letters Patent against any and all infringers, and perform such other acts as are necessary to give full force and effect this Assignment.

ASSIGNORS further covenant with ASSIGNEE that the rights and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrances, and that ASSIGNORS have the full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have fully executed this Assignment this 2214 day

of August Sept., 1997.

JAMES LANKFORD, IR.

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GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this day of the property 1997.

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