

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We the following inventors

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hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented certain new and useful improvements in an invention entitled:

ELASTIC ABSORBENT STRUCTURES

which is described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States having Serial No. 09/197,268, a Filing Date of 20 November 1998, and naming as inventors Debra Jean McDOWALL, Charles Allen SMITH and Melanie Stephens WINSTANLEY; said improvements as described and claimed in said application for Letters Patent of the United States, being hereinafter referred to as said "Invention"; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. , a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and having its principal office and place of business at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNORS' entire rights, title and interest in and to said Invention, and in, to and under Letters Patent therefor in the United States and countries foreign thereto;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN THAT, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS have sold, assigned, transferred and set over and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to and unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns ASSIGNORS' entire rights, title and interest in and to said Invention, and in, to and under the above-identified application and all other applications for Letters Patent of the United States and countries foreign thereto, and in, to and under all divisions, reissues, continuations, extensions and reexaminations thereof, and covenant that ASSIGNORS have the full right so to do; and the Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized and requested to issue all United States Letters Patent on said Invention included herein to ASSIGNEE, as assignee of ASSIGNORS' entire interest.

ASSIGNORS further agree to communicate to ASSIGNEE or its representatives or agents all facts and information known or available to ASSIGNORS regarding said Invention including evidence for interference purposes or for other legal proceedings, whenever requested; to testify in any interference or other proceedings; to execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers including original, divisional, continuing and reissue applications, renewals, assignments, powers of attorney, declarations, oaths, affidavits, depositions, etc.; and to generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, but at the expense of ASSIGNEE, in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said Invention, in the United States and countries foreign thereto.

Jan 15, 1999
Date

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