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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATIONS

This Assignment of Patent Applications is made as of the day of January, 1999 by and among David H. Kasman, a Massachusetts resident residing at 62 Prentice Road, Newton Centre, MA 02459 ("Assignor"), and Barnstead Thermolyne Corporation, a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 2555 Kerper Boulevard, Dubuque, Iowa 52001 (the "Assignee").

WHEREAS, Assignor is the owner of the inventions described in the Patent Applications identified in Appendix A attached hereto (the "Applications"); and

WHEREAS, Assignor is the President and principal shareholder of Laboratory Devices, Inc. ("LDI") and the Patents are used in the operation of the Business of LDI; and

WHEREAS, Assignee is this day purchasing substantially all of the assets of LDI; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the purchase described above, Assignee is desirous of acquiring all of Assignor's rights in said inventions and Applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, for \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee, all of its right, title and interest in and to said inventions and Applications and its entire right, title and interest in and to any and all claims and demands it may have at law or in equity for past infringement of said inventions and Applications.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Assignment of Patent Applications to be executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer as of the date first written above.

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